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NEWBERN, N. C., OCT. 30, 1867.

The Synod of North Carolina met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. Colin Shaw, the last Moderator present, from 1 Cor., xv: 10: "But by the grace of God I am what I am."

The Synod was then constituted with prayer.

The roll of Ministers and Churches was called, and the following members were found to be present:

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

MINISTERS—Edward Hines, Jacob Doll, A. G. Hughes, A. Currie, S. A. Stanfield, Joseph M. Atkinson, P. H. Dalton, J. Henry Smith, D. E. Jordan, James C. Alexander, Calvin N. Morrow, H. G. Hill, Calvin H. Wiley, L. C. Vass and D. T. Towles.

RULING-ELDERS—Stephen Neal, David Wharton, Samuel Watkins, Charles Slover, Joseph Potts and R. Sterling.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

MINISTERS—John Douglass, Nathan Shotwell, G. Wilson McPhail, D.D., Walter W. Pharr, Thomas N. Paxton, A. W. Miller, D.D., William A. Wood and H. H. Banks.

RULING-ELDERS—D. B. Penick, F. Scarr, E. J. Erwin, Dr. J. J. Summerell and E. Rice.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

MINISTERS—H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, H. A. Monroe, Colin Shaw, D. B. Black, S. Caldwell Alexander, J. M. Sherwood, D. D. McBryde, M. McQueen, H. L. Singleton, D. Fairley, J. H. Colton, S. H. Isler, A. N. Ferguson, Jas. Kelly and Luther McKinnon.

RULING-ELDERS—Daniel McKinnon, J. A. Smith, J. D. Currie, W. W. Dye, J. C. McMillan, W. T. Bannerman, S. Player, R. W. Moore, J. C. Smith and S. W. Caldwell.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

MINISTERS—Thomas Lynch, Geo. W. Ferrill, Thomas U.

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Faucette, F. H. Johnston, A. D. Hepburn, Drury Lacy, D.D., Charles Phillips, William B. Tidball and H. B. Pratt.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

MINISTERS—R. H. Morrison, D.D., Jesse Rankin, D. A. Penick, Sr., Daniel Lindley, Robert Burwell, J. E. Morrison, James D. Hall, W. N. Morrison, E. F. Rockwell, R. H. Chapman, D.D., William Graves, J. M. M. Caldwell, J. F. W. Freeman, T. E. Davis, S. C. Millen, D.D., R. N. Davis, S. C. Pharr, D.D., Jacob Hood, B. L. Beall, W. C. Sheets, J. S. Barr, G. E. Eagleton, G. D. Parks, Alexander Sinclair, J. Rumple, D. A. Penick, Jr., William W. Pharr, J. D. Wilson, E. H. Harding, W. B. Watts, R. Z. Johnston, Wm. M. Kilpatrick, R. B. Anderson and William McDonald.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

MINISTERS—S. Colton, D.D., H. McNeill, N. McKay, G. M. Gibbs, D. Johnson, A. McMillan, N. McDonald, H. McAlister, J. M. Sprunt, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen, J. H. Coble, M. McNair and B. F. Marable.

On motion, Rev. Archibald Currie was chosen Moderator, and Rev. James P. McPherson and Rev. D. D. McBryde Temporary Clerks.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING, OCT. 31.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The Minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

The following ministers rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of Synod, viz: H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, H. A. Monroe, D. B. Black, D. D. McBryde, M. McQueen, D. Fairley, J. H. Colton and A. N. Ferguson.

A communication was read from Rev. R. Z. Johnston, containing his report as Agent for Foreign Missions, which was referred to Rev. John Douglass as Agent *pro tem.*

Letters, rendering satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting of Synod, were read from Rev. Messrs. D. A. Penick, Sr., D. A. Penick, Jr., Neill McDonald and Drury Lacy, D.D.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

1. On Bills and Overtures—*Ministers:* Colin Shaw, A. W. Miller, D.D., and H. McLean. *Ruling-Elders:* Daniel McKinnon and Samuel Watkins.

2. Judicial Committee—*Ministers:* G. Wilson McPhail, D.D., John M. Sherwood and Jos. M. Atkinson. *Ruling-Elders:* E. J. Erwin and Chas. Slover.

3. On Minutes of Orange Presbytery—*Ministers:* Walter W. Pharr and M. McQueen. *Ruling-Elder:* E. Rice.

4. On Minutes of Concord Presbytery—*Ministers:* A. G. Hughes and P. H. Dalton. *Ruling-Elder:* J. C. Smith.

5. On Minutes of Fayetteville Presbytery—*Ministers:* T. N. Paxton and John Douglass. *Ruling-Elder:* R. Sterling.

6. To prepare an Address to the Churches on the State of Religion —*Ministers:* H. L. Singleton and Jas. C. Alexander. *Ruling-Elder:* Jos. Pottts.

7. On Devotional Exercises—*Ministers:* L. C. Vass and D. B. Black. *Ruling-Elder:* David Wharton.

8. On the Treasurer's Account—*Ruling-Elder:* Stephen Neal. *Ministers:* A. N. Ferguson and H. H. Banks.

9. On Minutes of General Assembly—*Ministers:* D. E. Jordan and David Fairley. *Ruling-Elder:* W. T. Bannerman.

10. On Union Theological Seminary—*Ministers:* J. Henry Smith and W. A. Wood. *Ruling-Elder:* J. A. Smith.

11. On Leave of Absence—*Ministers:* N. Shotwell and James Kelly. *Ruling-Elder:* Dr. J. J. Summerell.

12. On the Report of the Trustees of Synod—*Minister:* H. G. Hill. *Ruling-Elders:* J. C. Smith and E. J. Erwin.

Rev. D. E. Jordan and Rev. S. C. Alexander rendered satisfactory reasons for absence, when the roll was called, at the close of the meeting of the Synod last year.

The report of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary was read and referred to the committee on the Seminary.

The Trustees of Synod made their report, which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

The reports from the Presbyteries of Orange, Concord and Fayetteville, on Systematic Benevolence, were read, and, on motion, were ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

On motion, the committee on Union Theological Semina-

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ry was directed to make nominations to fill vacancies in the fourth class of the Directors of the Seminary.

The committee to prepare a sketch of the life and labors of the late Rev. Robt. Tate, not being present, a new committee was, on motion, appointed, consisting of Rev. J. M. Sprunt and Rev. Colin Shaw.

It having been announced to the Synod that, since the last meeting, the Rev. Messrs. James Phillips, D.D., Alexander Wilson, D.D., Stephen Frontis and Walter S. Pharr had departed this life, the following committees were appointed to prepare suitable biographical sketches of these brethren, and report at the next meeting of Synod:

On the Life of Dr. Phillips—Rev. P. H. Dalton, Rev. S. A. Stanfield and Dr. J. J. Summerell.

On the Life of Dr. Wilson—Rev. Charles Phillips, Rev. A. G. Hughes and Mr. Thomas Sparrow.

On the Life of Rev. Stephen Frontis—Rev. E. F. Rockwell and Rev. T. N. Paxton.

On the Life of Rev. Walter S. Pharr—Rev. Walter W. Pharr and Rev. D. A. Penick, Sr.

Letters were received from Rev. R. H. Chapman, D.D., and Rev. H. B. Pratt, assigning satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting of Synod.

The roll was called to ascertain whether ministers had attended to the injunction of Synod, to instruct their people in regard to the duties of Elders and Deacons.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was read, and, on motion, referred to a committee on that subject.

The Narratives on the State of Religion, from Orange, Concord and Fayetteville Presbyteries, were read and referred to the committee appointed to prepare an address to the churches.

The appointment of the time and place for the next meeting of Synod was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning.

Rev. J. Henry Smith, Agent for Publication, read his report, which was accepted, and pending a motion to adopt the resolutions appended to that report, the report of the Agent on Education was made the order of the day for 11 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet at 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning. Closed with prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING, NOV. 1.

Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Letters were read from Rev. Messrs. J. Hood and F. H. Johnston, giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting.

Rev. J. Leighton Wilson, D.D., of the Synod of South Carolina, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The order of the day was taken up, when the First Church, Wilmington, N. C., was chosen as the place, and Wednesday before the second Sabbath of November 1868, at half-past 7 o'clock P. M., as the time, for the next regular meeting of Synod.

On motion, the report of the Agent of Domestic Missions was made the order of the day for this evening at 7 o'clock.

Dr. R. L. Beall, Ruling-Elder of the Presbytery of Concord, and Mr. John Hodges, Ruling-Elder of the Presbytery of Orange, appeared in the Synod, and their names were enrolled.

The order of the Synod, at its last meeting, requiring Presbyteries to enjoin upon each church-session to make a written report to Presbytery of the fidelity with which elders and deacons have discharged their duties, was taken up, when it appeared that the Presbyteries had each taken action on this subject.

The unfinished business, viz: the report of the Agent of Publication, was taken up; when the resolutions appended to the report were adopted, and are as follows:

1. The Synod of North Carolina most earnestly endorses the plans and aims of the General Assembly, and pledges its support, as far as possible, in all the congregations of this Synod.

2. The Synod cordially recommends our own Sabbath-school books and paper,

"The Children's Friend", to all the Sabbath-schools and families connected with the Presbyterian Church in North Carolina.

3. The Synod enjoins on all the Pastors, Stated Supplies and vacant Churches, annual collections in behalf of the cause of Publication.

4. The Synod directs its Agent to present annually, as far as possible, a full account of the Sabbath-school teachers, pupils, libraries—whence supplied, to what extent supplied—the number of copies taken of the "Children's Friend" and other children's papers, the books and tracts of our committee, sold and distributed, the Colporteurs employed throughout this Synod, the funds raised for publication, and whatever else will accurately and fully inform the Synod of the condition and progress of our publication interests.

5. And to further this object, the Synod enjoins on all its Presbyteries to take specific action on this subject, and to direct its Presbyterial Agents to forward to the Synodical Agent (not later than the second day of the meeting of this Synod) a condensed copy of their own reports to their Presbyteries, and the Presbyterial action thereupon, and that these Presbyterial Agents be enjoined to make reports on all the matters mentioned in the foregoing resolution, within the limits of their respective Presbyteries.

6. The Synod commends this whole matter, so important, so interesting, so pressing and so promising of good, to the prayers, the liberality and zealous efforts of all the members of the church under its care in the State of North Carolina.

The following resolution was then adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the various church-sessions within this Synod be requested to raise such funds as they may be able, to be invested in the books of our own committee of Publication, to be distributed or sold by the ministers and elders of this Synod, as they may have opportunity.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, viz: to hear the report of the Rev. Neill McKay, Agent of Education, but Mr. McKay not being present, and there being no report in the house, on motion, the Synod proceeded to hear Rev. G. Wilson McPhail, D.D., in behalf of the Executive Committee of Davidson College, and other members of Synod, on the same subject. Pending this discussion, the following committee was appointed to bring in a minute for the adoption of Synod on this subject, viz: Rev. Walter W. Pharr, Rev. C. H. Wiley and Mr. Rich'd Sterling, Ruling-Elder.

The committee on the Minutes of Concord Presbytery made a report, recommending their approval as far as written. On motion, this report was adopted.

The committee on the Treasurer's account made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's account report, that they

find the receipts and disbursments correctly stated, accompanied by proper vouchers, and recommend its approval. The committee further recommend an assessment of fifty dollars on each of the Presbyteries.

The special committee, appointed to bring in a minute on the subject of Education, presented the following paper, which was adopted:

The committee appointed to bring in a minute, expressive of the views of the Synod on the subject of Education, offer the following: The Synod would earnestly call the attention of officers and members of our churches to the duty resting upon all christians to exert themselves to bring the whole subject of Education, in all its departments, under the direct influence of christian principle, and to extend the knowledge of letters as a means of propagating the gospel.

And as we find that the Presbyterian Church, in the days of her greatest purity and highest prosperity, exercised direct influence, not only over the schools, but also over the literature of her people, we would earnestly recommend this example as worthy of the imitation of our church at the present day. We therefore urge upon all our people the importance of fostering institutions under the care and control of our church.

While we would express our feelings of devout gratitude to the Great Disposer of all events, for preserving to us, during the desolations of the late civil war, that noble institution, Davidson College, we cannot too earnestly impress upon all our people the importance and duty of sustaining and widening the influence of this seat of sound literary, moral and religious education.

The Stated Clerk presented the annual report of the Synod to the General Assembly, which was accepted and adopted. The report is as follows:

Report of the Synod of North Carolina to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

The Synod of North Carolina reports to the General Assembly in the United States, that it consists of three Presbyteries, and that these Presbyteries consist in whole of 95 Ministers, having under their care 188 Churches, 9 Licentiates and 15 candidates, viz:

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.
Orange,	24	49	2	4
Concord,	42	72	3	3
Fayetteville,	29	67	4	8
	95	188	9	15

The Synod further reports, that its next meeting will be held in Wilmington, N. C., on the Wednesday before the 2d Sabbath in November 1868, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

The statistical reports of the Presbyteries were presented, and are as follows:

THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 24 Ministers, and have under their care 49 churches, 2 licentiates and 4 candidates; that on the 13th day of October 1866, they dismissed, at his own request, the Rev. John W. Montgomery, to join the Presbytery of Florida; that on the 11th day of November 1866, they installed Rev. Jacob Doll, pastor of Bethesda Church; that on the 2d day of December 1866, they installed Rev. L. C. Vass, pastor of the Church of Newbern; that on the 18th day of December 1866, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. H. G. Hill and the church of Hillsboro'; that on the 14th day of March 1867, they lost by death the Rev. James Phillips, D.D.; that on the 11th day of April 1867, they dissolved the pastoral relation between the Rev. C. K. Caldwell and the Church of Pittsboro'; that on the same day they struck from their roll of Ministers the name of the Rev. Willis L. Miller; that on the same day they restored to their roll of Ministers the name of the Rev. P. A. McMartin; that on the same day they dismissed, at his own request, the Rev. P. A. McMartin, to join the Presbytery of Kalamazoo; that on the 16th day of June 1867, they installed the Rev. P. H. Dalton, pastor of the Church of Washington; that on the 22d day of July 1867, they lost by death the Rev. Alexander Wilson, D.D.; that on the 23d day of October 1867, they dismissed, at his own request, the Rev. C. K. Caldwell, to join the Presbytery of the Western District; that on the 24th day of October 1867, they received the Rev. H. B. Pratt from the Presbytery of Concord; that on the same day they received the Rev. Daniel T. Towles from the Presbytery of Bethel, and that on the 27th day of October 1867, they licensed Mr. George Williamson Finley to preach the gospel as a probationer for the holy ministry.

Respectfully submitted.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

October 27, 1867.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

The Presbytery of Concord report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of forty-two ministers, and have under their care seventy-two churches, three licentiates and three candidates; that on the 13th day of October 1866, they received from the Presbytery of Orange, the Rev. William A. Wood and the Rev. Ephraim H. Harding; that on the 27th day of December 1866, they lost by death the Rev. Walter Smiley Pharr; that on the 12th day of January 1867, they installed the Rev. E. H. Harding over the Church of Concord Town; that on the 12th day of April 1867, they lost by death the Rev. Stephen Frontis; that on the 24th day of April 1867, they received from the Presbytery of East Hanover the Rev. G. Wilson McPhail, D.D.; that on the same day they dismissed the Rev. H. B. Pratt to the Presbytery of Orange, the Rev. William Morton Kilpatrick to the Presbytery of Georgia, and the Rev. Gilbert R. Brackett to the Presbytery of Harmony; that on the 26th day of April 1867, they deposed from the Holy Ministry the Rev. John Curtis Stewart; that on the same day they suspended from the functions of the Ministry the Rev. John C. Carson and the Rev. Leander L. Stuart, severally; that on the 6th day of July 1867, they installed the Rev. John Douglass over the churches of Steele Creek and Pleasant Hill; that on the 30th day of August 1867, they deposed from the Holy Ministry the Rev. John C. Carson and the Rev. Leander L. Stuart, severally; that on the 31st day of August 1867, they dismissed the Rev. George E. Eagleton to the Presbytery of Ouachita

and that on the 1st day of September 1867, they installed the Rev. Henry Howard Banks over the church of Asheville.

By order of Presbytery.

J. RUMPLE, Stated Clerk.

October 31, 1867.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, and the General Assembly, that at present they consist of 29 Ministers, and have under their care 4 Licentiates, 8 Candidates for the Ministry and 67 Churches; that on the 11th day of April 1867 they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. N. T. Bowden and the Church of Sharon, and declared said Church vacant; that on the same day they dissolved the Church of Lillington; that on the 13th day of the same month they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. J. P. McPherson and Laurel Hill Church and declared said Church vacant; that on the same day they licensed Mr. John B. McKinnon to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the Gospel ministry; that on the 5th day of May 1867, they installed the Rev. S. H. Isler pastor of Beaver Creek Church; that on the 8th day of June 1867, they installed Rev. S. C. Alexander pastor of South River Chapel; that on the 21st day of September 1867, they organized the McPherson Church; that on the 28th of October 1867, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. N. T. Bowden and Pee Dee Church, and declared said Church vacant; that on the same day they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. Neill McDonald and St. Paul's and Big Rockfish Churches, and declared said Churches vacant; that on the same day they dismissed Rev. Geo. M. Gibbs to connect himself with the Presbytery of Concord, and that on the 30th day of same month they dismissed Rev. Neill McDonald to connect himself with the Presbytery of Central Texas.

By order of Presbytery.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Goldsboro', N. C., Oct. 30, 1867.

Rev. Mr. Hardie, State Agent of the American Bible Society, addressed the Synod on the subject of his agency.

The committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly respectfully report, that they have examined those Minutes, and find nothing requiring any special action on the part of this Synod.

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary would report, that there is nothing calling for special action by this Synod, but in view of the favorable report of the Directors as to the financial condition of the Seminary, the gratifying addition of Students, their

general good health, and a deportment and industry becoming candidates for the ministry, and as to other matters showing growth and prosperity, the Synod would express its unabated and increasing interest in this Seminary and its gratitude to God for the measure of success with which it has surmounted difficulties and is prepared to impart its peculiar and inestimable advantages to all who wish to become able ministers of the New Testament.

Your committee recommend that the following persons shall constitute the fourth class of Directors to serve for four years: Rev. James P. McPherson, Rev. Edward Hines and Dr. N. M. Roan, Ruling-Elder.

The committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Fayetteville reported that said Records had been correctly and neatly kept, and recommended that they be approved as far as written.

This report was accepted and adopted.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, Rev. John M. Sherwood, Agent for Domestic Missions, read his report, which was accepted. The Synod was then addressed by the Rev. J. Leighton Wilson, D.D. After which the following resolutions were, on motion, adopted:

1. Resolved, That the chairman of the Presbyterial Committee of Missions, as the organ of that Committee, be instructed to make himself particularly acquainted with the condition and circumstances of all the Churches of the Presbytery, for the purpose of ascertaining whether they are contributing according to their ability to the cause of Sustentation and the other benevolent enterprises of the Church; whether they are giving competent support to their Pastors or Stated Supplies, and farther whether Pastors and Supplies, that are adequately supported, are giving the whole of their time to the spiritual improvement of their people.

2. Resolved, That he do what he can by his influence to induce the Churches not only to give freely to the cause of benevolence, but to provide adequately for the comfortable support of their own Pastor, and especially if they pay the promised salary with punctuality.

3. Resolved, That whenever it is ascertained that any single Church, or two Churches united under the same pastorate, have not the means to give their Pastor a sufficient support, the Executive Committee be requested to supplement his salary so that the minimum amount shall not be less than $600.

4. Resolved, That where any Church is found persistently delinquent, either in contributing to the Sustentation Fund or in neglecting to provide for pastoral support, that the same shall be reported to Presbytery for it to take such action as it may think proper.

5. Resolved, That where any Church has reasonable complaints to make against their Pastor for not devoting the whole of his time to their spiritual improvement, after they have provided him with a reasonable support, it shall be the duty of the chairman to bring such complaints to the notice of the Presbytery.

6. Resolved, That the said chairman be required to render to Presbytery a report from session to session of the manner in which he has discharged these duties and results which have followed from them.

7. Resolved, That the Chairman of the Committee be remunerated for these services.

8. Resolved, That these resolutions be published in the "North Carolina Presbyterian," for the wider diffusion of the information therein contained.

The Report on Foreign Missions was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 11 o'clock A. M.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at half-past 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING, NOV. 2.

The Synod met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The committee appointed to prepare an address to the Churches made a report, which was accepted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The roll was called to ascertain whether the Ministers had read the address to the Churches which was adopted by the Synod at its last meeting.

The report of Rev. Neill McKay, Agent for Education, was presented to the Synod. It was read, accepted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was ordered to publish one thousand copies of the Minutes of the present sessions in pamphlet form, and also to publish in the Appendix a roll of the Ruling-Elders and Deacons in this Synod, with their post offices respectively.

The committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Trustees of Synod in regard to the Lorantz fund would make the following statements and suggestions: The report of the Trustees has been carefully examined and all the papers submitted to us, that throw light upon the subject. With the exception of a few slight errors in the calculation of interest and a little confusion arising

rom the omission of a small amount paid to the committee of Colportage, we find the report of the Trustees correct. In the history of this Lorantz fund we find that at a meeting of Synod in Greensboro', N. C., October 3d, 1846, twenty-one years ago, the Trustees of Synod were instructed by that body to collect the proceeds of the Lorantz legacy, and as fast as collected to pay over the money to the Synod's committee of Colportage. This committee, at the same time, was instructed to employ this money as a loan, without interest, for promoting the objects for which it was appointed, in such a way as not to diminish the principal of this fund. Accordingly the Trustees did collect and pay over to this committee about the sum of $252. At a meeting in Statesville, however, in October 1860, the Trustees reported that they had collected and loaned to the Trustees of Concord Female College, at 6 per cent. interest, $600 of this fund. This action of the Trustees we regard as unauthorized and contrary to the instructions given them by the Synod at Greensboro' in 1846. From the report of the Trustees to the present meeting of Synod, it appears that besides the amount paid over to the Committee of Colportage, there remains due the Synod from Concord Female College, and two individuals, James Stephenson and James Lyon, the sum of $1660 31, including principal and interest to the 22d of August 1867.

In view of the preceding facts and statements, your committee make the fol lowing recommendations:

1st. That the Trustees of Synod be instructed to collect, as soon as practicable, as much as possible of the debt due from the above-mentioned corporation and individuals.

2d. That they be instructed to pay over the money as fast as collected into the hands of the Synodical Agent for Publication, Rev. J. Henry Smith, to be used by him for promoting the interests of Publication within our bounds, in such a way as, according to his judgment, will not diminish the amount placed in his hands, before the next meeting of Synod.

3d. That the Trustees of Synod be further directed, as soon as practicable, to renew the notes due from Concord Female College and the before-mentioned individuals, so as to include the unpaid interest, and to obtain on these notes such additional security, if possible, as shall render them a safe investment.

4th. That the Trustees be directed to report to the next meeting of Synod whether they have complied with these instructions; and that Rev. J. Henry Smith be instructed to report to the next Synod how much money he has received from the Trustees, and in what way it has been applied.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Chairman of Sustentation in each Presbytery be directed to take such steps and to recommend to the Presbyteries such measures as may be deemed advisable for the combination and consolidation of feeble and vacant Churches, so as to constitute suitable and permanent Pastoral charges, and that efforts be made to have them temporarily supplied by neighboring Ministers.

The committee appointed to examine the Records of the Presbytery of Orange reported that they had discharged

that duty, and recommend that said Records be approved as far as written.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the report on Foreign Missions was read by Rev. John Douglass, Agent *pro tem.* This report was, on motion, accepted. When the Synod heard the Rev. J. Leighton Wilson, D.D., the Assembly's Secretary on Foreign Missions.

The Stated Clerk was directed to publish the report on Foreign Missions in the Appendix to the Minutes and in the "North Carolina Presbyterian."

On motion, the resolution appended to the report was then adopted, and is as follows:

Resolved, That it be enjoined upon all our Churches to revive the observance of the monthly concert of prayer, and that collections be taken up at each of these meetings to aid in the good work of sending the Gospel to all the world.

The committee on leave of absence made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee on leave of absence report that they gave permission to the following members to be absent after the close of the sessions on Friday, viz:

MINISTERS—Colin Shaw, Edward Hines, A. G. Hughes, J. C. Alexader, C. H. Wiley, H. A. Monroe, James Kelly, S. A. Stanfield and D. B. Black.

RULING-ELDERS—S. Player, W. T. Bannerman, D. B. Penick, J. C. Smith and J. D. Currie.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the chairman of the Sustentation Committee in each Presbytery be instructed to furnish the Synodical Agent on this subject such facts and figures as will inform him of what has been done the previous year within their bounds. This information shall be furnished on or before the second day of the sessions of Synod each year.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Newbern for their hospitality and kindness to the members of this body, and also to the authorities of the Methodist and Baptist Churches for the tender of their houses of worship, and to the several Railroad companies for facilities afforded to its members in attending this meeting.

The committee on Bills and Overtures reported that no business had come into their hands. On motion, this report was accepted, and the committee was discharged.

The Judicial Committee reported that no business had

come into their hands. On motion, this report was accepted, and the committee was discharged.

The roll was called, when it appeared that the following members of Synod were absent without permission:

Of the Presbytery of Orange—Messrs. A. Currie, J. Henry Smith, H. G. Hill and D. T. Towles, Ministers; and Messrs. David Wharton, R. Sterling and John Hodges, Ruling-Elders.

Of the Presbytery of Concord—H. H. Banks, Minister.

Of the Presbytery of Fayetteville—Messrs. J. A. Smith, J. C. McMillan, R. W. Moore and S. W. Caldwell, Ruling-Elders.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet in the First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N. C., on Wednesday before the 2d Sabbath in November 1868, at 7½ o'clock. P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

ADDRESS OF THE SYNOD

Of the Presbyterian Church of North Carolina to the Churches within its bounds.

To the saints and faithful in Christ Jesus, members of the Presbyterian Church in North Carolina, with the Bishops and Deacons: Grace be unto you and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Having, by the appointment of God, and by the order of His house, the spiritual care and oversight of you, we, your Synod, herein express our deep solicitude in your spiritual and ecclesiastical estate; and enjoin upon you the observance of such things as make for your own good and the glory of Zion's King.

We thank God upon the remembrance of you, brought up to us by the reports of your Presbyteries. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed you with spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:" for in many of our Churches has He graciously dispensed the showers of His grace, redeeming sinners and refreshing saints.

The Holy Spirit has given cheering evidences of his presence, and many exhibitions of his power, in a number of our Churches, and several hundred of precious souls have been gathered into our beloved Zion.

There has been a gratifying increase in your contributions to the benevolent operations of the Church, and many comforting exhibitions of your zeal in the Master's cause and love for His Church.

Your cheerful submission to the frowning providences of God; your resignation amid the disasters by which you have been overwhelmed; your patience amid protracted trials, and your efforts to rebuild the waste places of Jerusalem, all evidence that the sustaining spirit is within you, and fills us with gratitude to Him who has promised to be ever with us; who hath said: "O Israel, fear not, for I have redeemed thee: I have called thee by thy name: thou art mine: when thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee, and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through fires, thou shalt not be burned, neither shall the flame kindle upon thee: for I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel thy Saviour."

For all the exhibitions of God's grace to you; for all the comforts you have enjoyed; for all the attainments you have made, and for all the results that have been accomplished, we offer fervent thanks to Him, by whom and to whom all is due.

But we admonish you, Brethren, that you have not wholly fulfilled the commission of the Lord: you have not put forth the full measure of your strength. His commission demands the largest exercise of your entire energies: His kingdom enlists the life-service of every one. Physical strength, intellectual capacity, spiritual gifts, earthly possessions of each and every kind and degree,

must be consecrated "unto Him who loved us, and gave himself for us." The enemies with which we must contend, the kingdom which we must destroy, the unfriendly elements with which we are surrounded, all require the employment of every gift and aid. Therefore the service which we are called to render is not a partial one—'tis the engagement of life. For this we each have our stations, qualifications and gifts, and we must employ them as God gives us opportunity and grace. We then, in the name of the Great Head of the Church, and Bishop of your souls, call you to awake and arouse to the full exercise of the mighty powers with which He has endowed you. Heavenly crowns inspire; thrones and principalities urge: the dying wails of sinking souls, the mad confusion of a sin-tossed world, the marshaling hosts against the Lord's Anointed, the promise of your Redeemer's kingdom, its coming triumph and glory, call you to awake. "Awake! put on thy strength, O Zion."

"The elders which are among you we exhort, who also are elders, feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the Bishopric thereof not by constraint, but willingly, being ensamples to the flock."

To you is committed all the spiritual interests of God's heritage. It is your duty to feed, guide and guard the flock of Christ as faithful shepherds: to promote by your example, by your efforts, by your maintenance of the worship of God's house, all of Zion's interests; and when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall appear with Him in glory.

The deacons we urge to a more active exercise of the office, and to a more thorough participation in the interests of the Church. Especially do we enjoin upon you the duty of gathering in the offerings into the treasury of the Lord's house.

And all who love the Lord Jesus Christ we exhort, first of all things, to *prayer*. Pray, Brethren, for the peace of Jerusalem: exert this mighty power in the behalf of Zion. The spirit of supplication is weak in our Churches, its voice is weak at the altar. But *prayer* is the power that moves the arm of God; the lever that raises the world from its fall; the furnace where the energies of the soul are forged; the voice which God has pledged himself to hear. Without it we can do nothing; with it we can do all things. Therefore, Brethren, cultivate the spirit of prayer: pray much, pray often, pray always, that God will bless and prosper our Zion.

To prayer, add your constant efforts. Not only pray for Jesus, but speak for Jesus; work for Jesus; live for Jesus. Let your conduct be as becometh the gospel of Christ, not only in furnishing bright examples of its peace-speaking and purifying power, but by living like Christ, in the incessant occupation of glorifying God, by establishing His kingdom. Aid your pastors and elders by your sympathies and active co-operation in advancing the kingdom of Christ; encourage the worship of God's house and the preaching of the word; employ every means, all influences, all things, legitimately, in extending and enriching the Church of your love. Be faithful unto the household of faith, especially unto the children of the covenant, and bring them up to a sense of their obligation to enter the service and fold of Christ.

We direct your attention especially to the benevolent operations of the Church—that you may accompany your prayers with liberal alms; and urge you

to adopt some systematic plans by which the treasury of the Lord may be filled and the voice of rejoicing heard, our destitutions relieved, and souls redeemed. "It is more blessed to give than to receive," said our Lord. The reflex influence on your own hearts, of giving to the Lord, is a richer inheritance than the possessions of earth.

Let not the plea of destitution, of adverse providences, of the want of means, induce you to retrench at the Lord's house; but manifest, by your increased contributions, that the grace of God dwells the more richly in your hearts, for your trials. The calls upon your Christian charity come with unwonted force and sadness, not only from the world beyond, but from within our own bounds—calls of souls starving for the bread of life. Your Synod and Presbyteries are making unusual efforts to spread the gospel and to enlarge our borders, and we look to you to sustain us by your prayers and means.

We call your attention, briefly, to the spirit of worldliness prevalent in our Churches; to the want of proper observance of the Lord's day; to the neglect of spiritual duty; to the laxity of many in their Christian walk; to the feebleness of effort in Christ's service; to the great absence of fervent love among the brethren; to the unlawful absorption in the pursuits of the world; to the disuse of discipline;—and bid you "see that ye walk circumspectly."

We warn you against the gross perversions of the gospel which are so assiduously propagated at this time; against every form of rationalism, which aims to reduce the gospel of our Divine Lord to the common reason of man, and by specious presentations of its theories, endeavors to make our holy religion simple humanitarianism. We also admonish you against the growth of the ritualistic encroachments on the Christian Church; against every form of Phariseeism, which exalts the form above the spirit, and would reduce religion to mere sentimentalism.

Finally, Brethren, remember that you are not your own; ye are bought with a price, even the precious blood of Christ; therefore glorify Him in your bodies and spirits which are His. Let your thoughts, your aims, your desires, your efforts, all terminate on Christ and His Church; "forget not Jerusalem, but prize her beyond your chief joy;" "set her as a seal upon your hearts; as a seal upon your arms, and love her with a love as strong as death."

Brethren, God has called us into a grand and glorious Church. She has a name and history with which no human establishment can compare. Her form, her doctrine, her power, are divine; and there is a nobility, a grandeur, a simplicity, about her, which is unequalled, and is a reflection of the Church above; and she has accomplished a history, by the Spirit of God, which should swell our hearts with holy pride and gratitude. Wherefore, then, we exhort you to love your Church; we ask your affections for the highest and holiest object on earth: and when we demand your powers in her behalf, we are only asking you to obey the last command of Jesus, to preach His gospel in the earth.

And now, dear Brethren, we commend you to the mercies of our God. See that ye overcome, that it may be granted unto you to sit down with Jesus in His throne.

Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant,

make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

ARCHIBALD CURRIE, Moderator.

REPORT OF ORANGE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

On the subject of Systematic Benevolence, the Presbytery of Orange would report to Synod, that we have under our care 49 churches. Of these eighteen have reported contributions to benevolent objects, during the year ending April 1st, 1867.

The whole amount contributed during the year is, for

Foreign Missions,	$197 25
Domestic Missions,	65 50
Sustentation,	215 88
Education,	115 00
Publication,	328 07
Miscellaneous,	764 98
Total,	$1686 68

The Presbytery is sorry to be compelled to say, that the amount contributed by the Churches, during the last ecclesiastical year, is not at all in advance of what has been done in years past. Indeed, according to the reports, it seems to fall short. We are sorry to say too, that some of our largest and oldest Churches have done nothing in this department of the field of labor. We trust, however, that a better time is coming, and that a better spirit will pervade all the members of all our churches.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

Chapel Hill, N. C., Oct. 1867.

REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

The Presbytery of Concord respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that at the meeting in April 1867, they adopted and recommended to the Churches, the Assembly's plan of taking up annual collections for the various benevolent causes, at the times specified on page 39 Ass. Min. of 1866.

Some of our Churches complied strictly with the injunction, and others, it is thought, followed their former plans of taking up collections by subscription or otherwise, at times formerly adopted by them.

From the statistical report prepared, we learn that fifty of our seventy-two churches have contributed, either to all, or one or more of our benevolent causes, as follows:

44	Churches	to	Domestic Missions,	$779 00
24	"	"	Foreign Missions,	544 55
19	"	"	Sustentation,	718 00
22	"	"	Education,	269 00
22	"	"	Publication,	495 00
12	"	"	Miscellaneous objects,	1473 00
	Making a total of			$4278 55

Dividing this sum total between the fifty contributing Churches will yield

an average $85 56 to each. On throwing out of the account the miscellaneous $1473 00, some of which may relate to congregational concerns, and dividing the remaining $2805 55 by 50, we will obtain an average of $56 00 to each contributing Church.

In addition to these strictly benevolent contributions, the following payments are mentioned:

32 Churches to Com. and Con. Fund,	$414 00
41 " " Con'g purposes,	16,306 00
This, added to the benevolent causes, viz:	4,278 55
Gives a sum total of all payments of	$20,998 55

The whole number of our Communicants, as reported this year, is 6210. Dividing the sum total by this number, we obtain an average of $3 38 to each Church member in our Presbytery.

If reports had been received from the other 22 churches, the aggregate would have been, doubtless, materially changed, but the average would probably be about the same.

This sum is indeed small, yet, considering the hardships, high prices, and high taxes, it is indicative of an encouraging spirit of liberality, that compares not unfavorably with the results of other and more prosperous times.

In the year 1860, Concord Presbytery reported to the General Assembly 7,255 communicants, and a payment of $33,822 to all ecclesiastical purposes. This yields an average of $4 66 to each communicant, against $3 38 of the present year.

With the blessing of God upon our Churches, with returning prosperity, we hope that the spirit of liberality in the future will far surpass that of years gone by. We trust that, as the "fining-pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold," so will be the ordeal through which we are passing to the piety and liberality of our beloved Zion.

Respectfully submitted to the Synod of North Carolina, by order of Concord Presbytery.

J. RUMPLE, Stated Clerk.

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 31, 1867.

REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Committee whose duty it is made to present a semi-annual report on the subject of Systematic Benevolence, would ask leave to offer the following observations on this important subject:

1. We regard it as the duty of each Church-member to contribute something annually, however little it may be, to the cause of Christian Benevolence.

Under the Mosaic economy, every Jew was required to give according to his means, and for this reason specific sums, or offerings, are named. Those who were rich were required to give of their *abundance*, whilst those who were poor, were to present smaller offerings.

Not only was the *tenth* required for the service of God, but in addition, *free-will* offerings were encouraged. Under the Gospel the rule seems to be, that we are to give "according as God has prospered us." That He claims His proportion, whatever it may be, seems to be clear, and to refuse Him this, is to incur His displeasure, and rob ourselves of much happiness.

There is great force in that declaration of our Saviour: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

2. Among the various plans suggested, that adopted by this Presbytery, at Oak Plane in April 1866, we regard as Scriptural, for the inspired command is, Upon the first *day* of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, "as God has prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come." I. Cor. xvi: 2.

That this injunction is still binding upon all God's children will scarcely be questioned; and yet we very much fear, that the duty thus enjoined is generally neglected, and therefore there must be guilt somewhere.

3. We would respectfully, but earnestly, urge Ministers, Ruling-Elders and Deacons to be more faithful in imparting instruction to those under their care, upon this subject, and especially upon the children and youth of all our congregations—for until our people are better instructed and trained, we have but little hope that the Church will rise to that standard of giving which the Great Head of the Church requires.

If the office-bearers in the Church, and our Sabbath-school teachers, will but do their duty to the rising generation, a race of Christians will soon spring up, whose influence will be felt far and wide.

In our day we read and hear much *about the poverty of the Church*—those redeemed by the blood of Christ, and made heirs of grace here and glory hereafter, and who are able to have all, or nearly all, of the comforts of life—are so poor, that they cannot give, even a few cents annually, for the cause of Christ, whilst they can spare their hundreds to increase their worldly substance! Why is this? We answer, because there is so little religion among professing Christians!

Alas! that those who have named the name of Christ should have so little of His Spirit!

From the Treasurer's Report and from other sources of information, we gather the following facts:

Contributed to the Contingent Fund,	$367 60
" " Domestic Missions,	255 28
" " Foreign Missions,	297 00
" " Superannuated Ministers,	98 96
" " Publication,	224 18
" " Education,	202 80
Total,	1,445 82

By order of Presbytery.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Goldsboro', N. C., Oct. 30, 1867.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Committee appointed *pro tem.* to prepare a report on the subject of Foreign Missions submit the following:

From all the returns which have been made by the respective Presbyteries, as shown by your Agent, and from the books of Prof. Woodrow, the Treasurer of the Committee in Columbia, S. C., it appears, the whole amount contributed to this cause for the past year, from the Churches connected with this Synod, is $1222 01.

This sum has been contributed as follows, viz: Concord Presbytery, with fifty-three Churches and a membership of 7,342. Of these fifty-three Churches only twenty-seven are credited with giving anything. This Presbytery gave $544 55. The Presbytery of Orange, with forty-nine Churches and a membership of 3,022, is credited with giving $403 74. Only nineteen of the forty-nine are credited with giving anything. The Presbytery of Fayetteville, with sixty-six Churches and a membership of 3,610, has contributed $273 72.

From these returns it appears, out of one hundred and eighty-seven Churches only fifty, little over one-fourth of the whole number, have contributed anything to this great and good work of sending the Gospel to the heathen. The sum of $1,222, at first glance and considering the stringency of the times, may appear a liberal donation; but when we take the aggregate of all our Church-members, which is 13,974, and adjust the scale of our benefactions so as to include every Church-member, it will be found our giving will not equal the widow's two mites. With this measure of liberality, or degree of interest, we may well inquire: By whom shall Jacob arise? or how are the heathen to be brought to a knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus?

Your Committee would, therefore, recommend that our Pastors be urged to give this subject greater prominence in their labors, and our Church-members be recommended to adopt some more *efficient* and systematic means of spreading the knowledge of God over the dark places of the earth, and hastening on the time when the heathen shall be given to Christ for his inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for a possession.

Resolved, That it be enjoined upon all our Churches to revive the observance of the monthly concert of prayer, and that collections be taken up at each of these meetings to aid in the good work of sending the Gospel to all the world.

JOHN DOUGLASS, Agent *pro tem.*

REPORT ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS AND SUSTENTATION.

Almost nothing was done within the bounds of the Synod in this most important branch of labor, from the close of the war to the meeting of this body at Charlotte last year. And it will appear from the facts furnished below, that during the past twelve months no great results have been accomplished, though some beginnings have been made.

The Presbytery of Orange has been, up to the recent meeting of that body, working in part independently and in part in connection with the Assembly's Committee of Sustentation. One Missionary has been employed at a salary of $200; and three of the Ministers of the Presbytery have received aid from the Sustentation Committee, to the aggregate amount of $325. At the meeting of Presbytery last week, it was determined to adopt the Assembly's plan of operations, and to unite heartily with the Sustentation Committee in carrying on this work. An Evangelist was also elected, and the whole territory of the Presbytery was divided into *pastorates*, with the view of supplying the destitute fields with the preached Word. The whole amount of funds collected from the Churches, for Domestic Missions and Sustentation, is about $500.

The Presbytery of Concord, at the meeting last Spring, determined to unite, in this work, with the Assembly's Committee of Sustentation. An Evangelist was elected, at a salary of $1,000; and three Missionaries have been employed within the bounds of the Presbytery. The amount of funds collected from the Churches for this object has not been ascertained with any accuracy.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville, by resolution last Spring, expressed a determination to maintain its own missionary operations; and ordered a collection to be taken up in all the Churches for the cause of Sustentation. Appropriations have been made during the year, in aid of three feeble Churches, amounting in all to $250. A Missionary was elected last Spring by the Presbytery, to preach in some of the Northeastern counties of the Presbytery, now almost wholly destitute of Presbyterians. Several points have been selected in the counties of Jones and Onslow; and at the late meeting of the Presbytery, a petition came up from one of these points for the organization of a Church. The Missionary laboring in this destitute field preaches one-fourth of his time at a small Church organized by him before he was elected Missionary, receives from the Domestic Missionary funds $200, and *gives* the remainder of his labor to this cause. At the late meeting of the Presbytery, the Domestic Missionary Committee was instructed to appoint an Evangelist, at a salary of $1,000, to labor in the Eastern part of the Presbytery; and a Committee was appointed to *assess* or *apportion* the amount of this $1,000 to be paid by each Church in the Presbytery. The whole amount of funds collected from the Churches during the year, for Domestic Missions and Sustentation, is something over $500.

The members of Synod will see at once, from these facts, that the subject under consideration has elicited increased interest at the recent meetings of the Presbyteries. If we really accomplish what we have already, in Presbytery, *resolved* to do, the next year will be very far in advance of anything that has been doing of late years. And, if we shall do what we have resolved in Presbytery to do, we shall find ourselves, twelve months hence, in a position to accomplish still greater and nobler results. It is a matter of the first importance, therefore, that we return to our respective charges prepared to enter heartily into the scheme of our Presbyteries for carrying on this great work. It is of vital importance to our Church, and of incalculable value to the cause of God in Christ throughout our beloved State. There is a strong probability that, ere long, a mental and material activity will be aroused in the masses of the people of the State, greater than ever heretofore. Emigrants may come in amongst us from abroad, and our own people will be entering upon new plans and schemes for improvement and prosperity. The Church must be active too. The people of God must be alive to the issues before them, and must be prepared to grapple with error, in whatever shape it shall appear. Never was there a time, perhaps, when the lovers of truth—of the *whole truth* of God—were called upon to be more active, more vigilant, more completely *alive* to everything going on around them. We must watch, and work, and pray, lest the enemy should find us sleeping at our post. We must raise high the standard of truth, and call all men to come and enlist with us.

JOHN M. SHERWOOD, Agent.

REPORT OF THE SYNODICAL AGENT ON EDUCATION.

In presenting to Synod the annual report on Education, we are compelled to record, in reference to the past ecclesiastical year, the painful fact, equally true of the four preceding years of the existence of the Executive Committee of Education, that it has done literally nothing towards the accomplishment of the great work contemplated by its creation. By the report of the Treasurer, $215 16 was received for the year ending 1st Nov. 1866; contingent expenses $6 50; balance in his hands $208 66.

One candidate is reported as received, and, recommended by the Presbytery of Fayetteville, was placed on the "liberal scholarship" offered by Col. William Bingham.

The fifth annual report of the Executive Committee to the late General Assembly is, in fact, merely apologetic, rendering good and satisfactory reasons for the inaction and consequent inefficiency of the Committee, growing out of the uncertainty thrown around the whole subject of Education as committed to them, the hesitancy of successive Assemblies as to the continuance of the Committee, and the manifest reluctance, on the part of the Churches and Presbyteries, to entrust their funds and candidates for the gospel ministry to the control and management of an agency whose existence seemed to be so precarious.

This unfortunate state of things *ought not*, and we trust will not, longer exist. The final action of the late Assembly, after a prolonged, various and patient discussion in the lower judicatories and by the journals of the Church, as well as by successive Assemblies, affords the highest possible evidence that the mind of the Church is fully made up, and that her plans in reference to her educational arrangements are definitely settled. In the constitution appointed by the General Assembly for the conduct of the Executive Committee, the whole scheme of Beneficiary Education is so modified, the rights, privileges and responsibilities of the Presbyteries are so clearly defined and guarded, that it is believed the advocates of the various plans which have been suggested may adopt it without the compromise of principle. If our whole Church cannot be brought to see *eye to eye* in reference to the prosecution of the work of ministerial education, the paramount importance of which is fully admitted by all, we may, at least, divest the subject of all collateral issues, ignore minor differences of opinion, give up preconceived notions and old-standing prejudices, and, in a spirit of generous concession, commend the policy adopted by the Assembly to the favorable consideration of our people, Churches and Presbyteries. This by no means implies an endorsement of the various reports which have been presented to the Assembly on the subject of Education, or an admission that the most practical, economical and efficient plan has been adopted. It is accepted as vastly superior to the Old Board scheme under which we labored in our former connection, and a decided improvement on the initiative policy of our own Church. Article fifth of the constitution of the Education Committee, organized at Augusta, not only authorized the Committee "to hold and disburse funds put into its hands," but says, "it shall also have a general oversight of the diligence and deportment of those who are aided by it." In the constitution appointed at Memphis, it is expressly declared that "all candidates shall be solely responsible to their own Presbyteries." And it is further provided by the same Assembly, that the Presbytery may manage "the funds collected within its own bounds, as well as all other parts of the work of education." The Presbytery must report, however, "to the General Assembly, through the Committee of Education, what amount of money has been raised and expended within its bounds, so that the General Assembly may see, at one view, what the whole Church has done in this great work."

Article fifth of the same constitution reads as follows, viz: "It shall be the duty of this committee to place itself in correspondence with the Executive

Committees of Education appointed by the several Presbyteries, the chairman of each of which Presbyterial committees must be regarded as a corresponding member of this committee. And it shall be the duty of the committee to procure from these corresponding members semi-annual reports with respect to the state of the work within their respective Presbyteries, and, in turn, to transmit to these members, for the information of their Presbyteries, semi-annual statements of the condition of the whole field."

Thus it will be seen that the Executive Committee of Education, divested of all the obnoxious features of the Old Board system, is really little or nothing more than a central financial and advisory agency. And if its appellation corresponds strictly to its functions, and if its whole duty, work and responsibility devolved on *one* instead of *eleven* agents, we would be more hopeful of its efficiency and success—*upon which* the ultimate success of all our efforts for home and foreign evangelization so much depends.

The correspondence, made obligatory by the constitutional provision, on the part of the committees, has not been fully inaugurated. Whether the fault is with the Presbyterial committees or the General Assembly's committee, or with both, we are not informed. But as to any desirable information, through the authorized channel, "of the whole field under the supervision of the Assembly's committee," we are as uninformed as we could have been at the hour of the Assembly's adjournment.

The following statistics we gather from the reports of the Presbyteries which compose this Synod:

The number of candidates reported by the Presbytery of Orange is 4, Concord 3, Fayetteville 8. Total 15.

Contributions—29	Churches	of	Fayetteville	Presbytery,	$254 90
18	"	of	Orange	"	115 00
22	"	of	Concord	"	269 00
					$638 90

Resolved, That Synod earnestly urge upon all our people, Churches and Presbyteries, whether they adopt the policy of conducting the work of education by the Executive Committee or the Presbyterial plan, to take measures for the collection of an amount of money commensurate with the importance of the subject and the *present* and pressing necessities of the Church; and that in their approaches to a throne of Divine grace, they remember the injunction of the Great Head of the Church: "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth more laborers into his harvest."

NEILL McKAY, Agent.

ABSTRACT OF REPORT OF SYNODICAL AGENT OF PUBLICATION.

The Agent is at a loss to know exactly what the Synod designs by this appointment. He submits resolutions, which if passed, will define his work and guide him as to the subjects to be reported upon.

No Colporteurs or Book-Agents have been at work within the bounds of this Synod during the past year. The whole amount for Publication from the Synod is $1153. This comes from 72 Churches; 116 Churches report no collections for Publication.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville have raised $330; 32 Churches contributing out of 67. Rev. Neill McDonald, Agent for this Presbytery, received two boxes or packages of books, $326 45 in value,—no report as to the sale or circulation of any of them.

The Presbytery of Concord have raised $495; 22 Churches contributing out of 72. At the recommendation of Rev. G. D. Parks, Agent for this Presbytery, A. T. Summey of Asheville, was credited with $174 85 worth, sent to him from Richmond; no report as to the sale or circulation of any of them.

The Presbytery of Orange have raised $328; 18 Churches contributing out of 49.

The Synodical Agent at considerable length discusses the importance of our Publication Committee and its work,—describes and commends the books and papers, argues the cheapness of the books compared with those published elsewhere, and presses active co-operation to secure and widely circulate its books and "Children's Friend," in all our Sabbath-schools, families, and wherever practicable.

The report closes with an exhibition before the Synod of the plans and purposes of the Committee of Publication as defined and enjoined by the General Assembly. By way of expressing the feeling and purpose of this Synod, the Agent submitted the following six resolutions which were passed with unanimity and apparent cordiality.

1. Resolved, &c. These resolutions have been already published and will be found in the published Minutes of the Synod, and are commended to the attention and practical consideration of every minister, elder, deacon and member, male and female, in the Presbyterian Church of North Carolina.

J. HENRY SMITH, Agent.

Synod of North Carolina, in account with D. A. Davis, Treas'r.

1867,				
Oct.	To amount paid for printing Minutes of 1864,		$56 50	
	" " " " " " " 1866,		60 00	
Sept. 28.	By assessment on Orange Presbytery, 1866,			$60 00
Oct. 9.	" " " Fayetteville Presbytery, 1865,			72 00
9.	" " " " " 1866,			60 00
21.	" " " Concord " 1866,			60 00
30.	To amount paid Rev. J. Doll, balance due for 1866,		6 90	
	" " " " services reported to 1867,		75 00	
	" " " " stationery, &c., in part,		1 10	
	" Balance to new account,		52 50	
			$252 00	$252 00

1867,		
Oct. 30.	By balance in Treasurer's hands,	$52 50
" 31.	Balance due Stated Clerk $4 38, as per account rendered.	

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

The Trustees of Synod make the following report:

On settlement of a committee of Court with J. P. Caldwell, at May Term

1848, it appears that, after paying legacies under the will of Abraham Lorantz, there was due the Synod $131 36; and under an order of Synod, 16th Oct. 1848, we paid over to the Synod's Committee of Colportage $235 00, of which sum $103 64 was from the sale of the land left as a legacy by said Lorantz to the Synod of North Carolina.

On the 2d Nov. 1859, we made a special report, showing every note, with date and amount for which the land was sold, so that all might be known satisfactorily. We here set the same in full, with interest up to the 22d Aug. 1867:

One note on James Stephenson, due August 22d, 1849,	$108 00
Interest to 22d of same, 1867,	116 64
Note, 22d August 1850,	119 84
Interest to 22d August 1867,	122 23
Note, 22d August 1851,	126 26
Interest to 22d August 1867,	121 20
Note, 22d August 1852,	132 68
Interest to 22d August 1867,	119 41
Note, 22d August 1853,	139 10
Interest to 22d August 1867,	116 64
Note, James Lyon and others, due August 22d, 1850,	39 10
Interest to " " 1867,	39 80
Note on same, due " " 1851,	41 30
Interest to " " 1867,	39 64
Note on same, due " " 1852,	43 40
Interest to " " 1867,	39 36
Note on same, due " " 1853,	45 50
Interest to " " 1867,	38 22
Whole amount, with simple interest to this time,	$1548 40

We have on hand the following notes to settle the above statement:

Due from Trustees of Concord Female College—

One note, with interest to 22d August 1867,	$292 96
One note, " " " "	463 45
One note, " " " "	441 61
One note, " " " "	129 50
One note on J. Stephenson, " " "	166 93
One note " " " "	25 08
One note on James Lyon, " " "	82 26
One note "	38 32
	$1660 31
To which ought to be added the $103 64 loaned to the Synod's Committee on Colportage, with interest, $11 87,	221 76
Making altogether	1882 07

This gives an increase of $333 67 more than the simple interest.

We further state that the $102 90, reported Oct. 9th, 1851, was from the sale of the land, and was at the disposal of the Synod at any time, and on which interest has been counted all the time. We also paid John Davidson, for surveying the land, $2 in 1849.

We further state that notes do not go out of date. Presumption of payment arises after ten years. On none of the notes on hand can presumption of payment be pleaded.

The individual notes we think are good and can be collected, but the unsettled state of the country is such that it is hard to say who are good and who are not. The amount due from the Trustees of College is, to say the least, in a very precarious situation. Respectfully submitted.

THOS. A. ALLISON,
WILL. F. COWAN, } Trustees.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, VA., MAY 16, 1867.

The Directors of the Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, respectfully present to the General Assembly, and to the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia, this their Annual Report.

From the Report of the Faculty of the Union Theological Seminary to the Board of Directors it appears that the following old students have been in attendance during the Session of 1866–'7, viz: Wm. L. Bailey, Edward H. Barnett, Brice B. Blair, Geo. W. Finley, John K. Hitner, Math. H. Houston, Edward Lane, Geo. L. Leyburn, S. Taylor Martin, G. Nash Morton, Wm. U. Murkland, Robert H. Nall and Wm. H. H. Winfree—13.

2d. The following new students have been matriculated during the session:

Sept. 10th. Alexander Cowan, member of Shelbyville Church, Tennessee, graduate of Jefferson College, Pennsylvania, and student of Western Theological Seminary, Pennsylvania.

Lauchlin Washington Currie, member of Carthage Church, and candidate of Fayetteville Presbytery.

Wm. Ezekiel Hill, member of Newcastle Church in Montgomery Presbytery, and graduate of the Virginia Military Institute.

Henry Ruffner Laird, member of Monmouth Church, Lexington Presbytery, and student of Washington College, Virginia.

Wm. Johnston Lapsley, graduate of Centre College, Kentucky, student of Danville Seminary, and licentiate of Transylvania Presbytery.

Washington Cosby Shane, member Second Presbyterian Church, Covington, Kentucky.

Sept. 15th. Francis Marion Woods, member of the North Church, Chicago, graduate of Washington College, Pennsylvania, and licentiate of Chicago Presbytery.

Josiah Morrison Smith, member of College Church, Virginia, and graduate of Hampden Sidney College.

Thomas Edwards Converse, member (*in transitu*) of Tenth Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, and graduate of Princeton College, N. J.

James Booth Converse, member (*in transitu*) of Logan Square Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, and graduate of Princeton College, N. J.

Sept. 18th. Wm. Dennis Morton, member of College Church, West Hanover, Virginia, and student of Hampden Sidney College.

Archibald McFadyen, member of Big Rockfish Church, candidate of Fayetteville Presbytery, North Carolina, and graduate of Chapel Hill, N. C.

Harvey Glass, member of Big Spring Church, Kentucky, graduate of Centre College, Kentucky, and candidate of Louisville Presbytery.

Ben. Helm, member of the Church of Elizabethtown, Kentucky, Louisville Presbytery, and graduate of Centre College, Kentucky.—14.

The total number of students during the session is 27.

3d. All the appointed exercises have been conducted regularly during the session, without interruption from the sickness of professors. The health of the students has also been generally good, and none have been driven from their studies by sickness. Mr. Currie, after several months' experiment, finding his literary preparation inadequate to keeping up with the studies of his class, left the Seminary by the advice of the professors, with a view of resuming his College course at the University of North Carolina. Messrs. Bailey and Lapsley, being licensed, have recently left to enter upon the work of the Ministry.

The Faculty are happy to renew the pleasing report of last year, as to the deportment and industry of the students. Their general conduct in this respect has left nothing to be desired.

The Faculty are also able to report, that through the divine blessing, and the liberality of christians in Virginia, and other sections of the Church, all the students who needed assistance have been aided to such extent as to enable them to continue their studies.

The members of the Faculty remain and occupy the chairs of instruction as last year, viz:

Rev. Samuel B. Wilson, D.D., Professor of Pastoral Theology and Evidences.

Rev. Robert L. Dabney, D.D., Professor of Theology and Sacred Rhetoric.

Rev. B. M. Smith, D.D., Professor of Oriental Literature.

Rev. Thomas E. Peck, D.D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Polity.

From the report of the Committee of Examinations of the exercises held on the Thursday, Friday and Saturday previous to the annual meeting of the Board, it appears that the professors have been, for the year past, both faithful and successful in imparting instruction, both general and minute; and that the students have been diligent in their attention to their required studies.

On the recommendation of the Committee and Faculty, the certificate of the Board testifying to their having completed the full course of study with diligence and propriety, was awarded to the following six candidates, viz: Edward H. Barnett, Virginia; Brice B. Blair, Pennsylvania; John K. Hitner, Virginia; George L. Leyburn, Virginia; S. Taylor Martin, Virginia, and F. M. Woods, Missouri; and was conferred upon each publicly in the Chapel.

The Treasurer reports favorably on the financial concerns of the Seminary. The investments in States Stocks amount to $102,547 51

On $8200 the interest is suspended.

In individual Bonds, 30,300 00

$132,847 51

A more extended report is annexed for the use of the Assembly and Synods. (See paper marked A.)

The Clerks of Synods will furnish them with a list of Directors and Electors, whose term of service expires in the Fall of 1867. Members of the Synod of Virginia in attendance on this meeting of the Board were: Rev. Messrs. Wm. H. Foote, D.D., Wm. Brown, D.D., Henry C. Alexander, and Elders A. G. McIlwaine and C. C. Read. Absent: Rev. Messrs. Wm. S. White, D.D., J. H. Fitzgerald, J.

C. Barr, S. D. Stuart, Charles Read, D.D., and Elders Joseph Cloyd and J. Randolph Tucker.

Of the Synod of North Carolina were present: Rev. Messrs. J. M. Atkinson, J. Rumple and F. H. Johnston. Absent: Rev. Messrs. S. A. Stanfield, J. H. Smith, T. U. Faucette, J. M. Sherwood, George A. Russell, and Elders M. V. Lanier, J. G. Shepherd, E. Nye Hutchison and N. M. Roan.

The Board also reports that, according to the directions of Synods, the charter lately obtained proving satisfactory, the Trustees were organized on Tuesday 14th of May, according to the provisions of the charter. The proper officers were chosen, and the property and papers in connection with the Union Theological Seminary, under the care of the Synods of Virginia and North Carolina, were duly transferred to the corporators. Henceforth the Board have corporate powers. A copy of the charter is also appended herewith, and the names of the officers of the Board of Trustees. (Papers B. and C.)

A true copy.

(Signed,) C. C. READ, Secretary of Board of Directors.
R. L. DABNEY, Assistant Secretary.

The following papers accompany the Report of the Board of Directors as therein mentioned, to-wit:

A.—FINANCIAL.

After deducting losses by the war, the Treasurer estimates available investments as follows:

Of Virginia Registered Debt,	$105,495 00
Of North Carolina Bonds, (interest suspended,)	8,200 00
	$113,695 00
From which must be deducted certain Scholarships, Library Fund, and other balances held in trust for specific purposes,	11,147 49
State securities of permanent fund invested,	$102,547 51
($8,200 being suspended as above.)	
To this may be added Bonds for the McCormick Professorship, and other Bonds,	30,300 00
Amounting to	$132,847 51

SCHOLARSHIPS.

Complete—1st. West Hanover. 2d. Second ditto. 3d. Devereux. 4th. Winchester, each $2500.

Incomplete, to-wit: 5th. Third West Hanover, $994 57. 6th. Lacy, $584 54. 7th. Ladies', $2,128 05. 8th. Winchester, $440 33. 9th. Oliphant, complete, but not all invested, $3000. 10th. Wm. J. Hoge, $1250. 11th. J. W. Alexander, $800. 12th. VanDyke, $100.

A portion of the scholarships lost by the result of the war are not reported. But one other, the Hart, is temporarily suspended and will probably be available.

The Legislature of Virginia has made provision for the payment of *six per cent.* on so much of her securities as are held by seminaries of learning. It is hoped that so laudable an example will be followed by her sister, North Carolina.

B.—THE CHARTER.

I. "Be it enacted by the General Assembly, that the act passed on the sixth day of March, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act for the incorporation of Union Theological Seminary, passed December twentieth, eighteen hundred and fifty-five, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

"1st. Be it enacted by the General Assembly, that Wm. S. White, William Brown, William H. Foote, J. H. Fitzgerald, J. C. Barr, S. D. Stuart, Charles H. Read, H. C. Alexander, C. C. Read, A. G. McIlwaine, Joseph Cloyd, J. Randolph Tucker, S. A. Stanfield, Jethro Rumple, M. V. Lanier, F. H. Johnston, Joseph M. Atkinson, J. G. Shepherd, J. H. Smith, J. M. Sherwood, E. Nye Hutchison, T. U. Faucette, G. A. Russell, N. M. Roan and their successors be, and they are hereby appointed a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of The Trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia; and by that name shall have a perpetual succession and common seal; may contract and be contracted with; sue and be sued; may acquire, receive, hold, possess and enjoy, and may rent, sell, convey, invest and otherwise manage or dispose of, as to them may seem most conducive to the interest of said Seminary, all lands, money or other property, real or personal, which may have been, or which may be given, or otherwise acquired for the use of said Seminary; and the said Trustees and their successors shall hold office as trustees no longer than they remain in office as directors, or till their successors enter upon the discharge of their duties as trustees; provided that the sum of money so acquired shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars; and provided that the amount of land held by them shall not exceed two hundred acres.

"2d. The said trustees and their successors, as a board, shall have power to fill vacancies in their own body—the persons elected to fill such vacancies to be chosen from the directors appointed under the plan and constitution of said Seminary; to appoint a treasurer, secretary, professors and such other officers as they may deem best; they may, for cause deemed good by a majority of the trustees for the time being, remove from office any professor, teacher, trustees or other officers of said Seminary; and shall have power from time to time, to make and establish by-laws, rules and regulations for the management of the institution, not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of Virginia.

"3d. The treasurer, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall execute bond, to be approved by the trustees or by some one appointed by them, in such penalty as the trustees shall direct, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of his office; and it shall be lawful for the trustees to obtain judgment for any part thereof, or for any special delinquency incurred by the treasurer, on motion, in the circuit court of Prince Edward County, against the treasurer and his securities, upon giving the parties thirty days' notice of said motion.

"4th. Seven trustees shall be requisite to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but it shall require a majority of all the trustees to constitute a quorum for the sale or mortgage of real estate, or the election of a professor or other officer, or for the removal of an officer or professor.

"5th. This act shall take effect from its passage, and shall be subject to amendment, modification or repeal, at the pleasure of the General Assembly.' '

C.—THE CORPORATION.

In pursuance of the act of incorporation, (paper B,) the Board was organized on the 14th of May 1867, as "The Trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia"; such being the legal title of the corporation. Its officers are as follows, to-wit:

Rev. S. A. Stanfield, of North Carolina, President.

Rev. Wm. H. Foote, D.D., of Virginia, 1st Vice President.

A. G. McIlwaine, Esq., of Virginia, 2d Vice President.

F. N. Watkins, Farmville, Virginia, Treasurer.

C. C. Read, ditto, Secretary.

Rev. R. L. Dabney, D.D., Hampden Sidney, Assistant Secretary.

Correspondence in relation to the Seminary (other than the Treasury) should be with the Rev. R. L. Dabney, D.D., Corresponding Secretary, Hampden Sidney P. O., Va. In regard to Finance, with F. N. Watkins, Esq., Farmville, Va. The Post Office address of Faculty and Students is Hampden Sidney, Va.

The annua meetings of the Board of Trustees will hereafter take place on *the Tuesday after the second Monday of May in each year, at 4 P. M.*

Stated Clerks of the Synods are requested to furnish to Dr. Dabney, on their adjournment, the *names* and post office address of each Director and Elector, noting changes; and also official copies of all orders in regard to the Seminary.

True copy. Signed.

C. C. READ, Secretary of the Board.

R. L. DABNEY, Assistant Secretary.

Moderators of the Synod of North Carolina.

	MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1813.	Rev. Robert H. Chapman	Alamance Church.
1814.	Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell	Thyatira Church.
1815.	Rev. William McPheeters	Fayetteville.
1816.	Rev. John Robinson	Raleigh.
1817.	No meeting—no quorum present.	Rocky River.
1818.	Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D.D.	Fayetteville.
1819.	Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, M.D.	Raleigh.
1820.	Rev. William Paisley	Poplar Tent.
1821.	Rev. John M. Wilson	Salisbury.
1822.	Rev. John Robinson	Hillsboro'.
1823.	Rev. John Witherspoon	Fayetteville.
1824.	Rev. Colin McIver	Statesville.
1825.	Rev. John B. Davis	Greensboro'.
1826.	Rev. William McPheeters, D.D.	Fayetteville.
1827.	The Stated Clerk has no record of this and two succeeding meetings.	
1828.	Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch	Raleigh.
1829.	Rev. John Williamson	Fayetteville.
1830.	Rev. Samuel Graham	Hopewell.
1831.	Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich	Hillsboro'.
1832.	Rev. Samuel Williamson	Salisbury.
1833.	Rev. Henry A. Rowland	Wilmington.
1834.	Rev. James W. Douglass	Oxford.
1835.	Rev. Henry N. Pharr	Salisbury.
1836.	Rev. Joseph Brown	Fayetteville.
1837.	Rev. N. H. Harding	Shiloh Church.
1838.	Rev. Stephen Frontis	Third Creek Church.
1839.	Rev. Daniel A. Penick	Lincolnton.
1840.	Rev. Alexander Wilson, D.D.	Danville, Va.

1841. Rev. William N. Peacock.....Fayetteville.
1842. Rev. Walter S. Pharr.....Poplar Tent.
1843. Rev. James Phillips.....Raleigh.
1844. Rev. Simeon Colton.....Fayetteville.
1845. Rev. Samuel Williamson.....Charlotte.
1846. Rev. Drury Lacy.....Greensboro'.
1847. Rev. Evander McNair.....Fayetteville.
1848. Rev. Cyrus Johnston.....Salisbury.
1849. Rev. John A. Gretter.....Hillsboro'.
1850. Rev. Adam Gilchrist.....Centre.
1851. Rev. Archibald Baker.....Rocky River.
1852. Rev. William N. Mebane.....Danville, Va.
1853. Rev. Hector McLean.....Wilmington.
1854. Rev. A. L. Watts.....Concord.
1855. Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D.D.....Greensboro'.
1856. Rev. Neill McKay.....Fayetteville.
1857. Rev. Walter W. Pharr.....Charlotte.
1858. Rev. Jacob Doll.....Newbern.
1859. Rev. F. K. Nash.....Wilmington.
1860. Rev. R. H. Lafferty.....Statesville.
1861. Rev. Edward Hines.....Raleigh.
1862. Rev. John M. Sherwood.....Goldsboro'.
1863. Rev. R. N. Davis.....Salisbury.
1864. Rev. A. G. Hughes.....Greensboro'.
1865. Rev. Colin Shaw.....Fayetteville.
1866. Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D.D.....Charlotte.
1867. Rev. Archibald Currie.....Newbern.

Stated Clerks of the Synod of North Carolina.

1813. Rev. Robert H. Chapman.
1818. Rev. Colin McIver.
1849. Rev. Drury Lacy.
1855. Rev. Archibald Baker.
1859. Rev. Jacob Doll.

Union Theological Seminary.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN NORTH CAROLINA.

FIRST CLASS TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.
Rev. Jas. P. McPherson.
Rev. Edward Hines.
Dr. N. M. Roan, Ruling-Elder.
To go out in 1871.

SECOND CLASS TO SERVE THREE YEARS.
Rev. S. A. Stanfield.
Rev. J. Rumple.
Mr. M. V. Lanier, Ruling-Elder.
To go out in 1870.

THIRD CLASS TO SERVE TWO YEARS.
Rev. F. H. Johnston.
Rev. Jos. M. Atkinson.
Hon. J. G. Shepherd, Ruling-Elder.
To go out in 1869.

FOURTH CLASS TO SERVE ONE YEAR.
Rev. J. H. Smith.
Rev. J. M. Sherwood.
Dr. E. Nye Hutchison, Ruling-Elder.
To go out in 1868.

Electors in North Carolina.

MINISTERS.
Rev. Jacob Doll.
Rev. P. H. Dalton.
Rev. D. A. Penick, Sen.
Rev. Geo. M. Gibbs.
Rev. William W. Pharr.

RULING-ELDERS.
Hon. J. G. Shepherd.
Mr. C. H. Wiley.
J. G. Ramsay, M.D.
R. L. Beall, M.D.
Prof. M. D. Johnston.
Mr. William B. Carter.

Trustees of the Synod of North Carolina.

Col. Thomas A. Allison.....Statesville, N. C.
Mr. D. A. Davis.....Salisbury, N. C.
Mr. William F. Cowan.....Snow Creek, N. C.
Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay.....Greensboro', N. C.

Agents of Synod.

Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Agent of Foreign Missions.
Rev. J. M. Sherwood, Agent of Domestic Missions and Sustentation.
Rev. Neill McKay, Agent of Education.
Rev. J. H. Smith, Agent of Publication and Colportage.

A List of Ruling-Elders and Deacons

IN THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Grassy Creek	R. E.—Dr. John R. Hicks	Henderson, N. C.
	Alexander Cooper	Oxford.
	Thomas Shotwell	Sassafras Fork.
Oxford	R. E.—Sam'l L. Venable	Yanceyville.
	M. V. Lanier	Oxford.
	J. C. Cooper	do.
	Thomas M. Lynch	do.
	Daniel Osborne	do.
	T. Brown Venable	do.
	D.—Anderson Crutcher	do.
Hawfields	R. E.—Stephen White	Mebaneville.
	Henderson Scott	do.
	George W. White	do.
	George A. Allen	do.
	R. W. Wilson	do.
	Joseph Tate	do.
	Dr. B. F. Mebane	do.
	D.—Wm. C. Johnston	do.
	Jeremiah Bason	do.
	Thomas B. Thompson	do.
	William J. Kerr	do.
	John W. Bason	do.
	Stephen A. White	do.
Cross Roads	R. E.—William J. Murray	Big Falls.
	John Walker	Pleasant Grove.
	J. G. Tate	do.
	Andrew Murray, Sen	do.
	Dr. B. B. Walker	Mebaneville.
	William B. Lynch	do.
	E. C. Forest	Locust Hill.
Milton	R. E.—N. M. Lewis	Milton.
	John Wilson	do.
	Samuel Watkins	do.
	Benjamin Hines	do.
	Dr. Wm. L. Stamps	do.
Red House	R. E.—John P. Rainey, Sen	Milton.
	Richard I. Smith	do.
	John P. Rainey	do.
	D.—W. W. Taylor	do.
	Joseph N. McCain	do.
Grier's	R. E.—Robert Walton	Leasburg.
Eno	R. E.—Samuel W. Hughes	Hillsboro'.
	Thomas H. Hughes	do.
	John Baine	do.
Little River	R. E.—Isaac Laws	Caldwell.
	Samuel H. Jordan	do.
	W. R. Hughes, M.D	do.
	W. D. Woods	Hillsboro'.
	John L. Woods	do.
	Hugh Woods	do.
	Robert Redding	do.
	N. P. Hall	do.
	D.—James Allison	Caldwell.
	John Wilkerson	do.
	L. W. Hall	do.
	T. J. Hall	do.
	John W. Hall	do.
	Joseph C. Allison	do.
	Thomas Wilson	Hillsboro'.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Buffalo	R. E.—David Wharton	Greensboro'.
	Harper Donnell	do.
	George A. Denny	do.
	John C. Cannon	do.
	Samuel H. Denny	McLeansville.
	Thomas B. Donnell	do.
	D.—Robert C. Caldwell	Greensboro'.
	Samuel D. McLean	do.
	Wm. D. Wharton	do.
	Daniel E. Albright	do.
	Daniel D. Gillespie	do.
Bethel	R. E.—Elisha Wharton	McLeansville.
	Elijah Denny	do.
	Thomas Rankin	do.
	Dr. J. A. McLean	do.
	George W. Wharton	do.
	Thomas A. Gray	do.
	Robert Wilson	do.
	D.—John Wharton	Gibsonville.
	W. R. Smith	do.
	John C. Rankin	do.
	Robert C. Rankin	do.
	Stanford Woodyard	do.
	Willis Sikes	do.
	Rufus W. Smith	do.
Nutbush	R. E.—Victor M. Eppes	Townsville.
	Henry T. Watkins	Hendersonville.
	William C. Bullock	Sassafras Fork.
	Dr. Wm. R. Wilson	Townsville.
	Richard A. Bullock	Williamsboro'.
Bethesda	R. E.—Joshua Butler	Locust Hill.
	Stephen Neal	do.
	A. S. Williamson	do.
	Dr. John L. Williamson	do.
	Dr. Robert H. Scales	Lenox Castle.
	Robert B. Watt	Lawsonville.
	William P. Watt	do.
	Robert A. Montgomery	Reidsville.
Yanceyville	R. E.—Dr. N. M. Roan	Yanceyville.
Alamance	R. E.—James Paisley	McLeansville.
	Samuel Rankin	do.
	Finley Shaw	Shaw's Store.
	J. Wesley McMurray	Greensboro'.
	Col. John A. Pritchett	do.
	Joseph W. Gilmer	Gilmer's Store.
	D.—David Whitt	Gilmer's Store.
	James Thom	do.
	Col. David Stewart	do.
	John Donnell	Greensboro'.
	Allen Scott	do.
Bethlehem	R. E.—William P. Morrow	Oaks.
	John Morrow	do.
	William Smith	do.
	D.—William Bingham	Mebaneville,
Stony Creek	R. E.—Thomas Moore	Morton's Store.
	John W. Wilson	McCray's Store.
	John H. Wilson	do.
	A. G. Hughes	Big Falls.
	Freeman Leath	Union Ridge.
Washington	R. E.—Joseph Potts	Washington.
	S. R. Fowle	do.
	Thomas Sparrow	do.
Horeb	R. E.—William H. Jones	Knap of Reeds.
	Benjamin H. Cogart	Tally To.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
New Hope	R. E.—D. Craig	Hillsboro'.
	A. Dickson	do.
	B. Strayhorn	do.
	W. Blackwood	Chapel Hill.
	S. S. Clayton	do.
	W. S. Kirkland	do.
	G. R. Long	do.
	D.—J. Kirkland	do.
	W. J. Kirkland	do.
	J. J. Long	Hillsboro'.
Raleigh	R. E.—Charles Dewey	Raleigh.
	Jesse Brown	do.
	James M. Towles	do.
	Richard N. Taylor	do.
	Prof. W. C. Kerr	do.
	D.—L. E. Heartt	do.
	C. D. Hill	do.
Newbern	R. E.—Charles Slover	Newbern.
	George Allen	do.
Geneva	R. E.—William Clement	Oxford.
	S. W. Smith	do.
	W. T. Allen	do.
	S. D. Ferrill	Tally Ho.
Hillsboro'	R. E.—Dennis Heartt	Hillsboro'.
	John W. Norwood	do.
	Thomas Webb	do.
	D.—John A. Turrentine	do.
	Calvin E. Parish	do.
Fairfield	R. E.—John N. Clark	Hillsboro'.
	James W. Riley	do.
	Joseph Faucette	do.
	John Wilkinson	do.
	George A. Faucette	do.
	D.—Samuel Wilkinson	do.
	Ishmael Carden	do.
Greensboro'	R. E.—Ralph Gorrell	Greensboro'.
	Jesse H. Lindsay	do.
	W. W. Wharton	do.
	John C. Wharton	do.
	Richard Sterling	do.
	D.—James Sloan	do.
	A. Weatherly	do.
	R. G. Lindsay	do.
	Robert P. Dick	do.
	Wm. A. Caldwell	do.
	Charles G. Yates	do.
Louisburg	R. E.—James Wilson	Louisburg.
Shiloh	R. E.—James B. Daniel	Sassafras Fork.
	J. J. Speed	do.
	John Amis	do.
	A. W. Venable	do.
	R. H. Graves	do.
	N. V. Watkins	do.
	James Amis	Oxford.
Oak Hill	R. E.—John Baird	Roxboro'.
Pittsboro'	R. E.—John A. Womack	Pittsboro'.
	George Thompson	do.
Haywood	R. E.—Richard Faucette	Haywood.
Chapel Hill	R. E.—William J. Martin	No P. O. reported.
	D.—Henry C. Thompson	Chapel Hill.
	Franklin A. Davies	do.
Asheboro'	R. E.—Robert McCadden	New Salem.
	Hugh McCain	Asheboro'.
	David W. Porter	do.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Graham	R. E.—Robert Hanner	Graham.
	Thomas McLean	do.
	Thomas M. Holt	Haw River.
Madison	R. E.—W. R. D. Lindsay	Madison.
	T. D. Rosebrough	do.
	William B. Carter	do.
	D.—John D. Watkins	do.
	A. M. Searcy	do.
	Nicholas Dalton	do.
	J. M. Cox	Reidsville.
Wentworth	R. E.—James Irvin	Reidsville.
	Dr. Jesse Carter	Wentworth.
	D.—Thomas A. Ratliff	do.
Leaksville	R. E.—Hugh Willis	Leaksville.
	William S. Rankin	do.
	George W. Martin	do.
	Nat. S. Smith	do.
	D.—George Peay	do.
	Samuel Smith	Ridgeway, Va.
Roxboro'	R. E.—Hon. Edwin G. Reade	Roxboro'.
Lexington	R. E.—Joseph Conrad	Lexington.
	Robert Foster	do.
	Alfred Hargrave	do.
	Dr. Robert L. Payne	do.
	D.—Andrew Hunt	do.
	H. C. Hege	do.
	J. H. Mabry	do.
High Point	R. E.—Eli Denny	High Point.
	Malcom Shaw	Trinity College.
	Robert E. Blair	do.
Winston	R. E.—Thomas J. Wilson	Winston.
	H. D. Lott	Salem.
Oakland	R. E.—John W. Hodges	Clayton.
Long's Mills	R. E.—William Long	Long's Mills.
Milburnie	R. E.—Richard Seawell	Raleigh.

No Report from Mount Airy, Speedwell, Snow Creek, Murfreesboro', and Warrenton.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Asheville	R. E.—A. T. Summey	Asheville.
	S. G. Kerr	do.
	D. F. Summey	do.
	Wm. M. Cocke	do.
Back Creek	R. E.—William King	Amity Hill.
	D. H. Patterson	Mount Ulla.
	Moses Lingle	do.
	J. F. Goodman	do.
	J. T. Stewart	Miranda.
	D.—J. W. McNeely	Mount Ulla.
	J. F. Clodfelter	do.
Bethany	R. E.—William F. Cowan	Statesville.
	Rufus W. Gibson	do.
	Andrew Gray	Bethany Church.
Bethel	R. E.—D. A. Caldwell	Davidson College.
	William Patterson	do.
	A. Jetton	do.
	Robert Knox	do.
	D.—C. S. Potts	do.
	Joseph Wilson	do.
	William Cathcart	do.
	John Knox	do.
Bethlehem	R. E.—D. C. Purviance	Clear Creek.
	R. H. Henderson	Oak Grove.
	J. H. Long	do.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Bethesda	R. E.—Isaac A. Witherspoon	Statesville.
	George Robertson	do.
	John R. Patterson	do.
	Ebenezer McNeely	do.
Bethphage	R. E.—E. W. Kimmons	Mill Hill.
	John M. Cannon	do.
	Levi Rumple	do.
	Simeon Winecoff	Concord.
	Nat. Johnston	Coddle Creek.
	D.—Samuel M. Furr	do.
	James A. Allison	Mill Hill.
	John Goodright	do.
	William Rogers	Concord.
Caldwell	R. E.—Samuel H. Todd	Charlotte.
	Elam T. McCord	do.
	J. W. Todd	do.
	William A. Cathey	do.
	D.—R. W. Elliott	do.
	Alfred Cathey	do.
	John M. McNight	do.
	John D. Johnston	do.
Castania Grove	R. E.—S. X. Johnston	Lincolnton.
Centre	R. E.—Lawson Torrence	Davidson College.
	G. S. J. Houston	Mount Mourne.
	William Knox	do.
	Robert McPherson	do.
	Jacob Lemly	do.
	J. A. W. Kerr	do.
	D.—James Shepherd	do.
	William Brawley	do.
Charlotte	R. E.—David Parks	Charlotte.
	Joseph H. Wilson	do.
	John A. Young	do.
	A. Graham	do.
	E. Nye Hutchison	do.
	Daniel H. Hill	do.
	F. Scarr	do.
	William Maxwell	do.
	D.—John L. Brown	do.
	Charles Overman	do.
	J. C. Boroughs	do.
	James P. Irwin	do.
	James A. Carson	do.
	S. P. Alexander	do.
	John B. Burwell	do.
	S. F. Houston	do.
College	R. E.—T. W. Sparrow	Davidson College.
	J. R. Blake	do.
	Alexander McIver	do.
	W. G. Richardson	do.
Concord	R. E.—William Morrison	Fancy Hill.
	David Hart	do.
	W. R. Stevenson	do.
	W. S. Stevenson	do.
	Abner Morrison	do.
	J. M. Alexander	do.
	John S. Watts	New Stirling.
	Thomas M. Hill	Liberty Hill.
	Charles H. King	do.
	D.—J. H. Hill	do.
	H. C. Summers	New Stirling.
	James Means	Fancy Hill.
	L. F. Stevenson	do.
Concord Town	R. E.—R. W. Allison	Concord.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Concord Town	R. E.—A. H. Moss	Concord.
	A. J. Yorke	do.
	Daniel Coleman	do.
	V. C. Barringer	do.
	George Fink	do.
Dallas	R. E.—A. Hoyle	Dallas.
	W. Pegram	do.
	J. Fronebarger	do.
Davidson's River	R. E.—James W. Killian	Davidson's River.
	Charles Patton	do.
	Elizur Patton	do.
Duncan's Creek	R. E.—J. J. Purcell	Duncan's Creek.
	James McFarland	do.
	John A. McFarland	do.
Ebenezer	R. E.—G. N. Rush	Franklin.
	G. C. Sellers	do.
	W. P. Penland	do.
	J. Y. Gray	do.
	D.—Leander Sellers	do.
Fifth Creek	R. E.—James Adams	Cool Spring.
	John D. Rickart	do.
	J. R. B. Adams	do.
	J. F. Houpe	Oak Forest.
	D.—W. T. Montgomery	Cool Spring.
	J. E. Adams	do.
	L. W. Knox	do.
Fourth Creek	R. E.—T. A. Allison	Statesville.
	J. F. Bell	do.
	E. B. Stimson	do.
	John Steel	do.
	R. N. Freeland	do.
	J. R. Adams	do.
	D.—Joseph W. Stockton	do.
	J. S. Ricket	do.
	W. S. Tate	do.
	J. S. Roseboro	do.
	C. N. Summers	do.
	J. H. Morrison	do.
	D. C. Thomson	do.
Franklin (Macon)	R. E.—Curtis Sanders	Franklin.
	E. L. Slagle	do.
	William Sanders	do.
	Wiley Moore	do.
	D. C. Hardin	do.
Franklin (Rowan)	R. E.—S. S. Trott	Salisbury.
	G. W. Thomason	do.
	Jacob Fraley	do.
	D.—Lewis Jacobs	do.
Goshen	R. E.—William Rutledge	Wood Lawn.
	Robert Rankin	do.
	David Rhyne	do.
	Henry C. Fite	do.
	James P. Oates	Dallas.
	D.—Bennet Smith	do.
Hendersonville	R. E.—William Connell	Hendersonville.
	A. T. Fuller	do.
	John Spann	do.
	John Miller	do.
Hopewell	R. E.—J. F. Harry	Martindale.
	A. B. Davidson	do.
	A. A. Alexander	do.
	R. F. Blythe	do.
	J. D. Kerns	do.
	J. M. Houston	do.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Hopewell	R. E.—W. A. Sample	Martindale.
	J. R. Davidson	do.
	D.—James A. Wilson	do.
	C. F. Campbell	do.
	W. B. Harry	do.
Jefferson	R. E.—Benjamin H. Neal	Jefferson.
Joppa	R. E.—Thomas Brown	Mocksville.
	James Frost	do.
Lenoir	R. E.—James Harper	Lenoir.
	E. W. Faucette	do.
	R. L. Beall	do.
Lincolnton	R. E.—J. F. Phifer	Lincolnton.
	J. A. Ramsour	do.
	Abner McCoy	do.
	W. H. Michal	do.
	William Tiddy	do.
	D.—W. H. Alexander	do.
Long Creek	R. E.—John Brown	Shelby.
	John White	Old Furnace.
	William Arrowood	do.
	S. A. Torrence	do.
	J. J. Price	do.
	D.—H. B. Huffstetter	do.
	T. M. A. Oates	Double Shoals.
Little Britain	R. E.—William Erwin	Rutherfordton.
	A. R. Guffey	do.
	Thomas Morrison	do.
	A. B. Long	do.
	J. H. Forney	do.
	J. M. Spratt	do.
	D.—John A. Watson	do.
	William Carson	do.
	Adam Alexander	do.
	R. P. Morrison	do.
Machpelah	R. E.—C. L. Hunter	Cottage Home.
	C. Dellinger	do.
	Daniel Somerough	do.
Marion	R. E.—James H. Greenlee	Turkey Cove.
	Robert Burgin	Marion.
	James B. Rankin	do.
Mallard Creek	R. E.—James Query	Query's Turnout.
	John Kirk	do.
	B. H. Garrison	do.
Mills' River	R. E.—Jacob Summey	Mills' River.
	Turner Williams	do.
Morganton	R. E.—E. J. Erwin	Morganton.
	W. C. Tate	do.
	William S. Moore	do.
New Hope	R. E.—James W. Reid	South Point.
	William R. McLean	do.
	S. W. Craig	do.
	William Nolen	Zeno, S. C.
	D.—Eli Cox	Catawba Creek.
	James Ford	do.
Newton	R. E.—D. B. Gaither	Newton.
	D.—Hiram A. Lowrance	Catawba Station.
Olney	R. E.—Enoch McNair	Dallas.
	William Dixon	Catawba Creek.
	W. R. Holland	do.
	S. C. Robinson	do.
	Ezra B. Wilson	do.
	James McNair	Dallas.
	D.—George McAlister	do.
	Robert Bell	Catawba Creek.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Olney	D.—W. D. Corroll	Catawba Creek.
	Alfred Dixon	do.
	William R. Hill	do.
	M. L. Holland	do.
Philadelphia	R. E.—James Rea	Charlotte.
	Cyrus Morrison	do.
	William Beaver	do.
	R. R. King	do.
	R. H. Maxwell	do.
	W. M. Miller	do.
	J. E. Moore	do.
Pleasant Hill	R. E.—E. R. Erwin	White Hall.
	J. M. Choate	do.
	G. W. Campbell	do.
	David Caruthers	do.
	D.—Samuel Knox	do.
	D. H. Hart	do.
	Matthew Knox	do.
	T. B. McLean	do.
	R. E. Capps	do.
Poplar Tent	R. E.—E. R. Harris	Oak Lawn.
	M. W. Johnston	do.
	W. S. Harris	Concord.
	D. S. Caldwell	do.
	T. H. Robinson	do.
	Theophilus Cannon	do.
	D.—C. A. Barringer	Oak Lawn.
	R. W. Johnston	do.
	C. J. Harris	do.
	J. C. Ross	do.
	D. G. Holbrooks	Concord.
	J. H. Morrison	do.
Prospect	R. E.—J. N. Lowrance	Deep Well.
	David Kilpatrick	do.
	H. M. Gray	do.
	David Creswell	do.
	J. S. Beatty	do.
	J. H. West	do.
	C. A. Johnston	do.
	A. Leazar	do.
Providence	R. E.—William Rea	Providence.
	Robert Grier	do.
	J. N. Reid	do.
	E. C. Kuykendall	do.
	J. Sol. Reid	do.
	W. N. McKee	do.
	D.—Joseph C. Ross	do.
	J. E. Sample	do.
	John Reid	do.
	William M. Stitt	do.
Ramah	R. E.—T. H. Hamilton	Coddle Creek.
	John Parks	Parks' Store.
	William Parks	do.
Rocky River	R. E.—L. C. Kirkpatrick	Kirkland.
	A. C. Alexander	do.
	J. N. Black	Pioneer Mills.
	R. H. Morrison	do.
	J. S. McLarty	do.
	D. B. Penick	Concord.
	J. M. Query	Harrisburg.
	R. C. Caldwell	do.
Rutherfordton	R. E.—J. B. Miller	Rutherfordton.
	L. P. Erwin	do.
Salem	R. E.—E. McMalon	Stony Point.
	E. McLeland	Elk Shoal.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Salem	R. E.—J. Thompson	Taylorsville.
	G. W. Clodfelter	do.
	D.—Thomas Patterson	do.
	W. M. Murdoch	do.
Salisbury	R. E.—Alexander Long	Salisbury.
	Michael Brown	do.
	D. A. Davis	do.
	William Murdoch	do.
	J. J. Bruner	do.
	J. J. Summerell	do.
	J. S. McCubbins	do.
	D.—John D. Brown	do.
	Obadiah Woodson	do.
	John A. Bradshaw	do.
	J. D. McNeely	do.
	J. M. Horah	do.
	J. K. Burke	do.
Sharon	R. E.—Charles T. Alexander	Charlotte.
	T. N. Alexander	do.
	John Wolf	do.
	John Walker	do.
	Thomas B. McKee	do.
	H. C. Reid	do.
	James G. Johnston	Pineville.
	D.—W. H. Walker	Charlotte.
	Abdon Alexander	do.
Shelby	R. E.—Isaac Ervin	Shelby.
Shiloh	R. E.—John H. McLelland	Fancy Hill.
	J. M. Lewis	Catawba Station.
	James H. Stevenson	New Stirling.
	D.—J. N. Raymer	do.
	D. Bradford	do.
Siloam	R. E.—George C. McCoy	Marion.
	James M. Greenlee	do.
	Caleb A. Blackwelder	do.
Steele Creek	R. E.—A. G. Neal	White Hall.
	J. H. McDowell	do.
	Jeff. Berryhill	do.
	B. F. Brown	do.
	W. P. Brown	do.
	William Clark	do.
	T. B. Price	Charlotte.
	D.—T. B. G. Farris	do.
	William Porter	do.
	F. Sadler	White Hall.
	A. Brown	do.
	R. W. McDowell	do.
Sugar Creek	R. E.—Henderson Query	Charlotte.
	J. F. McNeely	do.
	R. A. McNeely	do.
	John Howie	do.
	James M. Caldwell	do.
	E. C. Wallis	do.
	Ira Parks	do.
	James A. Todd	do.
	James M. Hutchison	do.
	D.—Albertus Wilson	do.
	Elam Robinson	do.
	J. P. Alexander	do.
	John Kirk	do.
Swannanoa	R. E.—G. C. Alexander	Swannanoa.
	A. Burgin	do.
	William D. Alexander	do.
	T. C. Westall	do.
	D.—R. C. Patton	do.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Tabor	R. E.—Nath. Holmes	Olin.
	David Flemming	Hamptonville.
	M. M. Bailey	Turnersburg.
	James M. Andrews	Eagle Mills.
	D.—John H. Dalton	do.
	George V. Reid	Bethany Church.
Taylorsville	R. E.—A. C. McIntosh	Taylorsville.
	Robert C. Wilson	do.
	William Matheson	do.
	T. S. Boyd	do.
Third Creek	R. E.—Jacob Krider	Mount Vernon.
	J. D. Johnston	do.
	J. G. Ramsay	Rowan Mills.
	R. M. Roseboro	do.
	T. A. Burke	do.
	Benjamin Phifer	do.
Thyatira	R. E.—Thomas Todd	Rowan Mills.
	N. F. Hall	do.
	Henry Seckler	Salisbury.
	Joseph Henderson	do.
	J. P. Silliman	do.
	James B. Gibson	do.
	John K. Graham	do.
	D.—Joshua Miller	do.
	J. F. Carrigan	do.
	W. F. Watson	do.
	W. L. Stansell	Rowan Mills.
Unity (Lincoln)	R. E.—R. I. McDowell	Beattie's Ford.
	J. M. Moore	do.
	John Nixon	do.
Unity (Rowan)	R. E.—Edmund Rice	Wood Leaf.
	J. P. Marlin	do.
	R. Culbertson	do.
	J. C. Foard	Salisbury.
	D.—S. S. Culbertson	Wood Leaf.
	John Lyerly	do.
Wilkesboro'	R. E.—Allen Denny	Wilkesboro'.

No Report from Beulah, Drusilla, Flat Creek, Hiwassee, Lebanon, Rheims' Creek, Sandy Plains, and Wadesboro'.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Fayetteville	R. E.—Edward W. Barge	Fayetteville.
	J. G. Shepherd	do.
	Duncan McLaurin	do.
	William B. Wright	do.
	William McL. McKay	do.
	B. Fuller	do.
	D.—Charles A. McMillan	do.
	Joseph Utley	do.
	Robert Johnson	do.
	E. T. McKethan	do.
Galatia	R. E.—Alexander Leach	Fayetteville.
	Duncan Shaw	do.
	John Ellis	do.
	Neill R. Blue	do.
	John D. McNeill	do.
	Malcom McInnis	do.
	D.—Archibald Lindsay	do.
	Neill Ray, Jr	do.
	Neill Shaw	do.
Lumber Bridge	R. E.—Duncan Malloy	Fayetteville.
	Daniel A. Malloy	do.
	Alexander Little	do.
	Peter Brown	do.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Barbecue	R. E.—James S. Harrington	Swann's Station.
	Daniel Morrison	do.
	D. McCormick	do.
	Sion Harrington	do.
	D.— —— McDougald	do.
	—— Monroe	do.
Philadelphus	R. E.—Duncan McNeill	Shoe Heel.
	James McCallum	Red Banks.
	Archibald McMillan	do.
	Angus D. Brown	do.
	D.—Duncan McKay	do.
Antioch	R. E.—Duncan G. McInnis	Shoe Heel.
	James A. Smith	do.
	John C. Campbell	do.
	Col. A. McMillan	Fayetteville.
	D.—John McInnis	do.
	William J. Stewart	Shoe Heel.
Bethel	R. E.—William McDearmid	Fayetteville.
	Philip McRae	do.
	William McLaughlin	do.
	John McLaughlin	do.
	D.—David Currie	do.
Laurel Hill	R. E.—Daniel C. Stewart	Laurinburgh.
	Murdoch Morrison	Laurel Hill.
	Dr. A. Patterson	do.
	Milton McIntosh	Shoe Heel.
	John McNeill	do.
	John McKay	do.
	D.—John H. McLean	Laurinburgh.
	W. Buchanan	do.
	M. W. McNair	do.
	John D. Currie	103 W. C. & R. R. R.
Montpelier	R. E.—Col. A. McEachern	Shoe Heel.
	Duncan McPhatter	do.
	Laughlin McNeill	do.
Centre	R. E.—Archibald C. Leach	Shoe Heel.
	Archibald Smith	do.
	Daniel McKinnon	do.
	Dr. A. D. McLean	do.
	D.—Archibald Patterson	do.
	Edmund Lilly	do.
	A. Wilkinson	do.
Brown Marsh	R. E.—Malcom McLeod	Brown Marsh.
	James A. Kelly	do.
	John H. Ballentine	do.
	F. M. Wooten	do.
	William M. Buie	do.
	John D. Currie	do.
	D.—John N. Kelly	do.
	John K. McNeill	do.
	John W. McLeod	do.
	Calvin B. Ballentine	do.
	John McFatter	do.
Mount Horeb	R. E.—Alexander K. Cromartie	Brown Marsh.
	Dr. Neill Graham	do.
	M. T. Harris	do.
	Daniel J. Clark	do.
	D.—J. H. Clark	do.
	James Cromartie	do.
Elizabethtown	R. E.—George Tate	Elizabethtown.
	J. W. Cromartie	do.
Black River Chapel	R. E.—James Kerr	Black River Chapel.
	James Murphy	do.
	Daniel McAlister	do.
	William Henry	do.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
White Plains	R. E.—Neill Buie	Rosendale.
	Daniel Perry	do.
	W. C. Burney	do.
Buffalo	R. E.—Richard M. Cole	Jonesboro'.
	J. H. Dalrymple	do.
	W. M. McIntosh	do.
	R. N. Buie	do.
	E. McGilvary	do.
	Daniel McIntosh	do.
	J. Hunter	do.
	Daniel McIntyre	do.
	D.—N. R. Bryan	do.
	A. G. McBryde	do.
	F. K. McIntosh	do.
	A. M. Wicker	do.
	D. B. McIver	do.
	Kenneth McIver	do.
South River	R. E.—Peter Cromartie	
	W. J. Cromartie	
	W. K. Cromartie	
Moore's Creek—	R. E.—S. B. Rivenbach	Colvin's Creek.
	James W. Colvin	do.
	Aaron M. Colvin	do.
	John H. Murphy	do.
	D.—James A. Murphy	do.
	James P. Moore	do.
	James N. Henry	do.
Clinton	R. E.—L. C. Graves	Clinton.
	Warren Johnson	do.
	William Holmes	do.
	James Wright	do.
Mount Zion	R. E.—James W. Boney	Clinton.
	Z. W. Boney	do.
	Gibson S. Carr	
	John C. Millen	
	D.—T. J. Carr	
Wilmington, 1st Ch.	R. E.—George Chadbourne	Wilmington.
	James C. Smith	do.
	John N. Andrews	Statesville.
	D.—Joseph B. Russell	Wilmington.
	James D. Cumming	do.
	Samuel Northrop	do.
	Malcom McInnis	New York.
Hopewell	R. E.—Lewis Sanders	
	Robert Fillyaw	
Rockfish	R. E.—John W. Boney	Warres.
	J. W. Carr	do.
	Burney Carr	do.
	James Alderman	do.
	D.—G. Boney	do.
	D. T. Carr	do.
Pike	R. E.—John P. Hand	Burgaw.
	M. R. McIntyre	Rocky Point.
	R. T. Bowden	do.
	D.—S. P. Hand	Burgaw.
Lebanon	R. E.—A. S. Baker	Red Banks.
	A. D. Wilkinson	do.
Beth-Car	R. E.—W. N. Whitted	
	D.—B. Robeson	
Big Rockfish	R. E.—John McDonald	Fayetteville.
	Dr. D. Sinclair	do.
Cypress	R. E.—L. D. Cameron	Johnsonville.
	Duncan Keith	do.
	Peter Monroe	do.
	Neill Cameron	do.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
St. Paul's	R. E.—Neill Sinclair	St. Paul's.
	John McNair	do.
	Duncan Campbell	do.
	John Caldwell	do.
	D.—Duncan McNair	do.
	Dugald Campbell	do.
China Grove	R. E.—John Elliot	Fayetteville.
	D. Murchison	Manchester.
Grove	R. E.—Ozburn Carr	Kenansville.
	James B. Carr	do.
	Dickson Mallard	do.
	James Dickson	do.
	Robert B. Carr	do.
	W. D. Pearsall	do.
	D.—Alexander Sutherland	do.
Union (Duplin)	R. E.—Dr. James H. Hicks	Faison's Depot.
	John Carr	do.
	William H. Tolar	do.
Keith	R. E.—J. Lamb	
	W. A. Lamb	
	L. Bowden	
	R. W. Moore	
	D.—M. C. Collins	
	W. A. Lamb	
Mt. Williams	R. E.—J. B. Bannerman	
	S. Player	
	D.—W. H. Player	
	D. Shaw	
Bluff	R. E.—D. Bain	Fayetteville.
	John C. Smith	Averasboro'.
	A. McLellan	Fayetteville.
	A. Bain	do.
	D. McMillan	do.
	D.—J. D. Smith	Averasboro'.
	J. C. Williams	Fayetteville.
	John Bain	do.
Sardis	R. E.—James P. Hodges	Mill Grove.
Sharon	R. E.—Angus McInnis	Mount Gilead.
	Charles McKinnon	do.
	John H. Read	Asheboro'.
	John McAuley	Mount Gilead.
	D.—Roderic McKinnon	do.
	George McAuley	do.
Mount Carmel	R. E.—Alexander Martin	Bostick's Mills.
	John Clark	Curriesville.
	A. McD. Martin	Bostick's Mills.
	D.—John L. McRae	do.
Harmony	R. E.—Daniel B. Nicholson	Bostick's Mills.
	J. Nicholson	do.
	James H. Forbis	do.
	D.—Malcom D. Bethune	do.
	Malcom McInnis	do.
Macedonia	R. E.—James Batton.	Troy.
	Malcom Murchison.	do.
	Alexander A. McCaskill.	do.
	Neill Gillis.	do.
	Neill McInnis.	do.
	D.—Neill McCallum.	do.
	David Batton.	do.
	Wilson McCaskill.	do.
	John A. Yarborough.	do.
Mizpeh	R. E.—Thomas T. Covington.	Rockingham.
	—— McIntyre.	do.
Lumberton	R. E.—D. C. McIntyre.	Lumberton.
	Neill A. McLean.	do.

CHURCHES.	RULING-ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.
Ashpole.....	R. E.—Dugald McCallum.	Red Banks.
	Sion Alford.	do.
	Duncan McNair.	do.
	Alexander Blue.	do.
	Nathaniel McNair.	do.
	Washington W. McLean.	do.
	John A. McArthur.	do.
	D.—John McArthur.	do.
	Alexander McLean.	do.
	Alexander McLeod.	do.
Smyrna.....	R. E.—Alexander McRae, Sr.	Shoe Heel.
	Alexander C. McKinnon.	do.
	James Stewart.	do.
	Archibald McRae.	do.
	John C. Stewart.	do.
	Alexander McRae, Jr.	do.
	A. J. McQueen.	do.
	J. Q. R. McRae.	do.
	D.—Malcom McRae.	do.
	Duncan McCallum.	do.
	John L. McRae.	do.
Longstreet.....	R. E.—William Shaw.	Fayetteville.
	Neill McPhail.	Johnsonville.
	D.—Duncan J. Monroe.	Manchester.
	Malcom Campbell.	Fayetteville.
	W. Brown.	do.
Sandy Grove.....	R. E.—Peter Monroe.	Fayetteville.
	Archy McLeod.	do.
	D.—John M. Graham.	do.
Bethesda.	R. E.—Malcom McNeill.	Montrose.
	Alexander Ray.	Carthage.
	Malcom M. Blue.	Montrose.
	John B. Graham.	do.
	D.—Archibald Buchan.	do.
	Patrick Monroe.	Carthage.
	Evander McLeod.	Montrose.
	Alexander Graham.	do.
Carthage.....	R. E.—K. Black.	Carthage.
	A. R. Kelly.	do.
	A. R. McDonald.	do.
	Alexander Kelly.	do.
	Dr. John Shaw.	do.
	A. McCallum.	do.
	K. C. Chisholm.	do.
	D.—Thomas B. Tyson.	do.
	Hugh Black.	do.
	Thomas C. Cole.	do.
	D. P. Shields.	do.
	A. H. McNeill.	do.
	J. D. McIver.	do.
Union (Moore).....	R. E.—M. Ferguson.	Carthage.
	J. C. Ferguson.	do.
	E. Kelly.	do.
	I. H. Rowan.	do.
	Daniel McDonald.	do.
	John B. Black.	do.
	Patrick M. Blue.	do.
	Daniel Blue.	do.
	D.—John M. N. Ferguson.	do.
	James Gilchrist.	do.
	Hugh Leach.	do.
	R. A. McLaughlin.	do.
	M. J. Blue.	do.
	D. R. McDonald.	do.
	A. A. Ray.	do.

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Euphronia.....	R. E.—William C. Campbell.	Carthage.
Mount Pisgah.....	R. E.—Robert Small.	Swann's Station.
	William Harrington.	do.
	Hector McNeill.	do.
Tirza.....	R. E.—A. D. McLean.	Summerville.
	M. McKay.	do.
	K. Murchison.	do.
	H. McLean, Jr.	do.
Ben-Salem.....	R. E.—John R. Currie.	
	Archibald B. Currie.	
	Kenneth Matheson.	
	Neill Morrison.	
	D. B. Currie.	
Whiteville.....	R. E.—Robert McKenzie.	Red Banks.
Mineral Spring.....	R. E.—M. C. Clark.	Curriesville.
	Patrick Ray.	do.
	Archibald Ray.	do.
	Alexander McKenzie.	do.
	Daniel McKenzie.	do.
	Murdoch McCaskill.	do.
	Daniel Campbell.	do.
	D.—Duncan Patterson.	do.
	John B. Clark.	do.
	William R. Poole.	do.
	D. M. McDonald.	Carthage.
Bethlehem.....	R. E.—Neill McDugald.	Fayetteville.
	George L. McKay.	do.
Pee Dee.....	R. E.—Dr. D. N. Patterson.	Mangum.
	Malcom Gillis.	Little's Mills.
	D.—Isham Dumas.	Mangum.
Laurinburgh.....	R. E.—M. McKinnon.	Laurinburgh.
	John McIntyre.	do.
	Angus Blue.	do.
Oak Plane.....	R. E.—Patrick Murphy.	Wilmington.
	Dr. J. W. Robinson.	Magnolia.
	Dr. T. C. Murphy.	do.
	James Lamb.	do.
	Edward Smith.	do.
	D.—W. K. Chesnutt.	do.
Mark's Creek.....	R. E.—Daniel Currie.	103 W., C. & R. R. R.
	Daniel Campbell.	Rockingham.
Mount Tabor.....	R. E.—William H. Brown.	Red Banks.
	Archibald Smith.	do.
	D.—John McMillan.	do.
Spring Vale.....	R. E.—W. A. Faison.	
	James Morisey.	
	Dr. W. J. Thompson.	
	D.—W. H. Morisey.	
Beaver Creek.....	R. E.—Samuel W. Caldwell.	Kinston.
	J. C. Wooten.	do.
McPherson's.....	R. E.—Malcom McDonald.	Fayetteville.
	Hugh Graham.	do.
	D. C. Currie.	do.
	D.—Alexander McPherson.	do.
	Alexander McKethan.	do.
	Joseph A. McArthur.	do.
	Robert Register.	do.
2d Ch., Wilmington..	R. E.—Alexander Sprunt.	Wilmington.
	D.—John Colville.	do.
	John R. Latta.	do.
St. Andrew's.....	R. E.—William McDugald.	Swann's Station.

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WILMINGTON, N. C., NOVEMBER 18th, 1868.

The Synod of North Carolina, at its last meeting held in Newbern, N. C., on the 2d day of Nov'r 1867, adjourned to meet in the city of Wilmington on the 4th day of November 1868, at 7½ o'clock P. M. But the Rev. Archibald Currie, Moderator of the Synod, postponed the meeting for two weeks. The reason for this change was the disturbed state of the country in view of the Presidential election. And the change was made at the earnest solicitation of thirty-four ministers and upwards of fifty ruling-elders of the Synod. The Presbytery of Concord, at its recent sessions, unanimously gave its consent to the change. And the Presbytery of Orange, at its late meeting, unanimously requested the Moderator of Synod to make the change.

In accordance with this appointment of the Moderator, the Synod of North Carolina met in the city of Wilmington on the 18th day of November 1868, and was opened with a sermon by the Rev. Archibald Currie, Moderator, from 1 John, i: 3: "And truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ."

The Synod was then constituted with prayer.

The roll of Ministers and Churches was called, and the following members were found to be present, viz:

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

MINISTERS—Jacob Doll, A. G. Hughes, A. Currie, Thos. U. Faucette, P. H. Dalton, J. Henry Smith, F. H. Johnston, D. E. Jordan, James C. Alexander, Calvin N. Morrow, L. C. Vass, William B. Tidball and H. B. Pratt.

RULING-ELDERS—W. J. Murray, George W. Wharton, Stephen Neal, Wm. H. Crow and D. F. Morrow.

CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS—Jesse Rankin, Robert Burwell, John Doug-

lass, N. Shotwell, R. H. Chapman, D.D., Walter W. Pharr, Thomas N. Paxton, R. N. Davis, A. W. Miller, D.D., J. Rumple, D. A. Penick, Jr., William A. Wood and E. H. Harding.

RULING-ELDERS—R. I. McDowell and John A. Young.

FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS—Hector McLean, H. A. Monroe, Neill McKay, J. P. McPherson, C. Shaw, A. McMillan, S. Caldwell Alexander, J. M. Sherwood, D. D. McBryde, M. McQueen, N. T. Bowden, John H. Coble, H. L. Singleton, D. Fairley, H. G. Hill, M. McNair, James H. Colton, S. H. Isler, B. F. Marable, A. N. Ferguson, James Kelly, Luther McKinnon and K. McIntyre.

RULING-ELDERS—J. D. McNeill, M. McKinnon, N. L. McNeill, D. McKinnon, Neill Graham, Wm. K. Cromartie, George S. Carr, John McLaurin, A. Baker, S. Player, J. C. Smith, William J. Currie, H. Graham, D. C. McIntyre, Patrick Murphy and M. Morrison.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

MINISTERS—Thomas Lynch, George W. Ferrill, Edward Hines, S. A. Stanfield, Joseph M. Atkinson, Drury Lacy, D.D., Charles Phillips, D.D., Calvin H. Wiley, J. M. M. Caldwell and D. T. Towles.

ABSENT—PRESRYTERY OF CONCORD.

MINISTERS—R. H. Morrison, D.D., D. A. Penick, Sen., Daniel Lindley, Thomas P. Johnston, J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, Wm. N. Morrison, G. W. McPhail, D.D., E. F. Rockwell, William Graves, George W. Gibbs, J. F. W. Freeman, Thomas E. Davis, S. C. Millen, D.D., John C. Williams, S. C. Pharr, D.D., Jacob Hood, B. L. Beall, Wm. C. Sheetz, J. S. Barr, G. D. Parks, Alex'r Sinclair, William W. Pharr, R. Z. Johnston, R. B. Anderson, William McDonald, H. H. Banks, J. J. Kennedy and R. H. Caldwell.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

MINISTERS—Simeon Colton, D.D., Hector McNeill, D. B. Black, H. McAlister, J. M. Sprunt, James McQueen and A. McQueen.

Rev. D. D. McBryde was chosen Moderator, and Rev. J. Rumple and Rev. L. C. Vass were chosen Temporary Clerks.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19th, 1868.

Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The Minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

Mr. J. C. Wharton, Ruling-Elder of the Presbytery of Orange, and Mr. H. Broaddus, of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, appeared in Synod and took their seats.

The following Ministers rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of Synod, viz: Rev. Wm. B. Tidball, Jesse Rankin, Robert Burwell, R. N. Davis, J. Rumple, E. H. Harding, Neill McKay, A. McMillan, N. T. Bowden, John H. Coble, M. McNair, B. F. Marable, B. L. Beall, J. S. Barr, H. H. Banks, E. F. Rockwell, D. Lacy, D.D., and R. Z. Johnston.

The following Ministers rendered satisfactory reasons for absence at the calling of the roll at the close of the last meeting of Synod, viz: A. Currie, J. H. Smith, H. G. Hill and H. H. Banks.

Rev. E. Thompson Baird, D.D., and Rev. J. G. Hamner, D.D., of the Synod of Virginia, and Rev. J. C. Hiden, Pastor of the Baptist Church, Wilmington, were, on motion, invited to sit as corresponding members.

The Narratives on the state of religion from Orange, Concord and Fayetteville Presbyteries were read, and, on motion, referred to the committee appointed to prepare an address to the churches.

The Moderator announced the following standing committees, viz:

1. ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.—*Ministers:* A. Currie, H. A. Munroe and J. Rumple. *Ruling-Elders:* D. McKinnon and S. Neal.

2. JUDICIAL COMMITTEE.—*Ministers:* R. H. Chapman, D.D., Neill McKay and S. C. Alexander. *Ruling-Elders:* J. C. Smith, Sr., and Jno. A. Young.

3. On the Minutes of Orange Presbytery.—*Ministers:* John H. Coble and C. Shaw. *Ruling-Elder:* A. Baker.

4. On the Minutes of Concord Presbytery.—*Ministers:* M. McQueen and D. E Jordan. *Ruling-Elder:* Dr. Neill Graham.

5. On the Minutes of Fayetteville Presbytery.—*Ministers:* E. H. Harding and F. H. Johnston. *Ruling-Elder:* Geo. W. Wharton.

6. To Prepare an Address to the Churches on the State of Religion.—*Ministers:* A. W. Miller, D.D., and Jesse Rankin. *Ruling-Elder:* D. F. Morrow.

7. On Devotional Exercises.—*Ministers:* H. L. Singleton and M. McQueen. *Ruling-Elder:* L. McLaurin.

8. On the Treasurer's Account.—*Minister:* J. M. Sherwood. *Ruling-Elders:* R. I. McDowell and Patrick Murphy.

9. On the Minutes of the General Assembly.—*Ministers:* H. G. Hill and D. E. Jordan. *Ruling-Elder:* M. McKinnon.

10. On Union Theological Seminary.—*Ministers:* H. L. Singleton and J. Henry Smith. *Ruling-Elder:* J. C. Wharton.

11. On Leave of Absence.—*Ministers:* David Fairley and Colin Shaw. *Ruling-Elder:* L. McLaurin.

12. On the Report of the Trustees of Synod.—*Ministers:* D. Fairley and L. McKinnon. *Ruling-Elder:* W. K. Cromartie.

The report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary was read, and, on motion, it was referred to the committee on the Seminary.

On motion, the nomination of Ministers and Elders to fill vacancies in the Board of Directors, and also to fill vacancies in the Board of Electors, was referred to the same committee.

An overture from the Presbytery of Fayetteville, respecting the division of the Presbytery, was received, and, on motion, it was referred to the committee on Bills and Overtures.

The statistical reports of the Presbyteries were presented. On motion, they were ordered to be spread on the Minutes and are as follows:

THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of twenty-three ministers, and have under their care fifty-one churches, one licentiate and seven candidates; that since the last meeting of Synod they installed the Rev. William B. Tidball pastor of the church of Alamance; that on the 17th day of April 1868, they dismissed, at his own request, the Rev. A. D. Hepburn to join the Presbytery of Oxford, Ohio; that on the same day, they dismissed, at his own request, Mr. Alexander Kirkland, a licentiate, to place himself under the care of Fayetteville Presbytery; that on the same day they

dismissed, at his own request, Mr. George Williamson Finley, a licentiate, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Winchester; that on the 18th day of April 1868, they dismissed, at his own request, the Rev. H. G. Hill to join the Presbytery of Fayetteville; that since the last meeting of Synod, they organized a church at Mebaneville, N. C.; that on the 2d day of October, they received by certificate the Rev. J. M. M. Caldwell from the Presbytery of Concord; that on the same day, they received under their care Rev. William S. Lacy, a licentiate, by certificate from the Presbytery of Roanoke; that on the same day, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. S. A. Stanfield and the church of Milton; and that since the last meeting of the Synod they organized a church at Henderson, N. C.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

Nov. 19, 1868.

THE PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

The Presbytery of Concord report to the Synod of North Carolina:

1. That they consist of 41 ministers and 69 churches, and have under their care 1 licentiate and 12 candidates.

2. That 18 of their ministers are pastors, 9 are stated supplies, 1 is a foreign missionary to South Africa (Daniel Lindley,) 2 are domestic missionaries (Thos. P. Johnston and William Graves,) 5 are teachers, viz: G. W. McPhail, D.D., E. F. Rockwell, Robert Burwell, T. E. Davis and R. B. Anderson. Dr. McPhail is *ex-officio* pastor of College church, and Rev. R. B. Anderson is stated supply of a church in Bethel Presbytery; 1 is evangelist of Presbytery, (B. L. Beall,) and 6 are without charge.

3. That they received Rev. Thomas P. Johnston from the Presbytery of North Mississippi on the 9th of April 1868, and Rev. George M. Gibbs from the Presbytery of Fayetteville on the 11th of April 1868, and Rev. John C. Williams from the Presbytery of South Carolina on the 24th of September 1868.

4. That they dismissed Rev. William M. Kilpatrick to the Presbytery of Western Texas on the 9th of April 1868, and Rev. J. M. M. Caldwell to the Presbytery of Orange, on the 24th of September 1868.

5. That they have lost by death Rev. J. D. Wilson and Rev. W. B. Watts,—the former on the 6th of April 1868, the latter the 19th of July 1868.

6. That they ordained to the Gospel Ministry, on the 13th of June 1868, Rev. John J. Kennedy, and on the 1st of August 1868, Rev. R. H. Caldwell.

7. That they installed Rev. S. C. Pharr, D.D., Pastor of Caldwell church (for one-half of his time,) on Saturday before the 5th Sabbath of September 1867, and Rev. R. N. Davis, pastor of Lincolnton church, (for one-half of his time,) on the 2d Sabbath of October 1867, and Rev. G. D. Parks, pastor of Sugar Creek church, (for the whole of his time,) on the 6th of June 1868, and Rev. J. J. Kennedy, pastor of New Hope church, (for the one-half of his time,) on the 13th of June 1868, and Rev. R. H. Caldwell, pastor of Bethany and Fifth Creek churches, on the 1st of August 1868.

8. That they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. J. D. Hall and the church of Goshen on the 11th of April 1868.

9. That they struck from their roll the names of Flat Creek, Reim's Creek and Duncan's Creek churches on the 11th of April 1868.

10. That 16 of their churches are vacant.

11. That only 8 of their 69 churches have the services of a pastor all of his time.

12. That they changed the name of Joppa church to Mocksville on April 11th, 1868.

Respectfully submitted.

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk.

By order of Presbytery, November 1868.

THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that, at present, they consist of 30 ministers, and have under their care 69 churches, 3 licentiates and 7 candidates; that on the 18th day of December 1867, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. J. M. Sherwood and the church in Fayetteville, and declared said church vacant; that on the 7th day of March 1868, they lost by death Rev. Daniel Johnson; that on the 11th day of April 1868, they licensed Mr. Archibald McFadyen to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the Holy Ministry; that on the 12th day of the same month they ordained to the full work of the Gospel Ministry Mr. Kenneth M. McIntyre; that on the 6th day of May 1868, they received by letter Rev. H. G. Hill from the Presbytery of Orange; that on the 16th day of April 1868, they lost by death Mr. John B. McKinnon, one of our licentiates; that on the 16th day of November 1867, they organized the church of Catharine Lake, in Lower Richlands District, Onslow County, N. C.; that on the —— 1868, they organized the Salem church; that on the —— 1868, they installed Rev. D. B. Black pastor of Pike church; that on the 9th day of May 1868, they installed Rev. K. M. McIntyre pastor of Mineral Spring church; that on the 11th day of July 1868, they installed Rev. H. G. Hill pastor of the church in Fayetteville; and that on the 19th day of November 1868, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. M. McNair and Mount Tabor church, and declared said church vacant.

Respectfully submitted. J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Nov. 19, 1868.

The reports of Orange, Concord and Fayetteville Presbyteries on Systematic Benevolence were read, and, on motion, were ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The committee appointed to prepare a sketch of the life and labors of Rev. James Phillips, D.D., made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee appointed by the Synod of North Carolina to bring in a minute respecting the life and labors of Rev. James Phillips, D.D., respectfully submit the following, viz:

Dr. Phillips was the son of Rev. Richard Phillips, of the established church of England, and was born at Newenden, Essex County, April 22d, 1792. The

early part of his life was spent in Cornwall County, where his father served as rector in the Episcopal church. In A. D. 1818 he came to this country, in company with an older brother, Samuel A. Phillips, now a resident of the city of New York. Soon after his arrival in this country he took charge of an academy at Harlaem, in New York State, where his diligence and talents soon built up for him a reputation as a successful instructor of youth. In A. D. 1826 he became a professor in the University of North Carolina. At a meeting of Orange Presbytery, at New Hope Church, September 7th, 1833, he was licensed to preach the gospel, and was ordained by the same Presbytery, April 25th, 1835, and died March 14th, 1867.

During the whole period of his ministerial life he was a beloved professor in the University of our State, and very few, if any, of her professors ever did more for the intellectual and spiritual advancement of that institution. A master in Israel and a giant in mind, he exerted all his energies in imparting to his pupils not only mental vigor but also that wisdom which cometh down from above. And so faithful was he and so much revered, that even the most thoughtless and reckless and wicked among the students would always come into his presence with profound respect, and would always treat him with the utmost reverence. During the whole period of the forty-one years of his connection with the College, he never failed more than half dozen times to be present with his classes at the appointed hour. To his credit also, it may be mentioned, that Lieutenant Maury, while at the head of the National Observatory, had two of his pupils as assistants, and applied to secure a third as instructor of his own children, stating that he desired them to have the benefit of the same training which had rendered his assistants such ready and accurate mathematicians. Let it also be stated here, that when he was called to go up higher, the Master found him at his post, upon the rostrum of the College Chapel, whither he had gone to conduct morning prayers with the students.

Dr. Phillips was never the installed pastor of any church; yet as an ambassador for Christ, he was instant in season and out of season, always abounding in the work of the Lord. For many years he was stated supply of New Hope Church, and during the period of his ministry among that people, he was not left without many indications of the divine approbation. It was also mainly through his instrumentality that a neat and commodious church edifice was erected at the University, where we now have a little flock worshipping God under the ministry of his son, Rev. Charles Phillips, D.D., as stated supply.

Another field of his labors was more widely extended. During the College vacations he was wont to travel, through various sections of the State, and preach the gospel from place to place. And it would be impossible to estimate the value of his services in this department of his labor. It is probable that he seldom preached without making lasting impressions upon some minds. And though no immediate results were often witnessed, yet it frequently occurred that individuals who came forward, long afterwards, to make professions of their faith, would refer to some discourse of Dr. Phillips as that which first awakened them to thoughtfulness and the beginning of a new life.

Our beloved father and brother never had the privilege of attending an Eng-

lish University; indeed his educational facilities were quite limited, and he prided himself on being a self-made man. He belonged emphatically to the old school —in manners, in religious belief and in most of his forms of thought. While he rejected no new theories simply because they were new, he embraced none without careful examination and thorough conviction of their truth and worth. His favorite religious reading lay among the old non-conformist divines. His favorite authors were Owen, and Charnock, and Gurnell, and Perkins, and Ambrose, and others of the same school. But the book which he prized above all was the oldest of all—God's Holy Word.

Dr. Phillips was ardent in his attachments, and though a man of strong will, was always ready to forgive. He was a man of high moral courage, and an uncompromising Presbyterian. While living in New York he left the communion of the Episcopal Church, in which he had been born and reared, because the tendency of the high-church party was in opposition to the evangelical simplicity of his father's church in England. As a preacher, he was zealous, ardent, and unusually affectionate and melting. He was mighty in the scriptures, and there have lived but few men more gifted in prayer. His petitions at a throne of grace were copious, fervent, elevated and unutterably solemn. He seemed indeed in audience with the Deity and wholly unconscious of any other presence. He was peculiarly happy in the use of scripture texts and phrases woven like threads of gold into all his petitions, confessions and ascriptions. When pleading for lost sinners and afflicted saints, how tender and how melting were his appeals! The strong man would weep, and the big, unbidden tear would roll freely down his tender cheeks. Who that ever heard him pray does not remember the tenderness and pathos with which he would utter the words "Blessed Redeemer." He had a peculiarly tender and ardent personal affection for the Lord Jesus. And these melting appeals at a throne of grace, and these impassioned exhortations, were simply the pouring out of his soul in his earnest desire for the blessing of God upon his hearers.

Dr. Phillips was a great and good man; respected and honored by all who knew him, and most loved by those who knew him best.

Resolved, 1. That we have lost a father and a friend, and that we have special reason to thank God for his long life of activity and usefulness among us, and for the precious memory of his light and love.

Resolved, 2. That we are admonished to cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light—the night is far spent and the day is at hand.

Resolved, 3. That a copy of this minute be forwarded by the Stated Clerk to the "North Carolina Presbyterian" for publication, and one also to the family of the deceased.

The committee appointed to prepare a sketch of the life and labors of Rev. Stephen Frontis made a report, which was accepted, and, on motion, the following preamble and resolution was adopted, viz:

Whereas, the biographical sketch of the life and labors of the Rev. Stephen Frontis, which has just been read to the Synod, had been previously adopted substantially by the Presbytery of Concord, and recorded in a book kept for that

purpose; and whereas, it has already been published in the "North Carolina Presbyterian," and in the "Southern Presbyterian Review," therefore

Resolved, That the above-mentioned sketch be filed away among the papers of Synod, by the Stated Clerk.

The committee appointed to prepare a sketch of the life and labors of Rev. Walter Smiley Pharr made a report, which was accepted, and, on motion, the following preamble and resolution was adopted, viz:

Whereas, the sketch of the life and labors of the Rev. Walter S. Pharr, just read to the Synod, has been published in the "North Carolina Presbyterian," therefore,

Resolved, That the above-mentioned sketch be filed away among the papers of the Synod, by the Stated Clerk.

It was announced to the Synod that the Rev. John D. Wilson and Rev. Winslow B. Watts, of Concord Presbytery, had died since the last meeting. Whereupon a committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. R. H. Chapman, D.D., D. A. Penick, Jr., and William A. Wood were appointed to bring in a brief memorial of these brethren.

It was also announced that the Rev. Daniel Johnson, of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, had died since the last meeting of Synod. Whereupon a committee, consisting of Rev. John H. Coble, M. McNair, and A. Baker, ruling-elder, were appointed to prepare a suitable minute touching his life and labors.

The report of the Trustees of Synod was read, and, on motion, it was referred to the standing committee on that subject.

On motion, the report of the Agent of Education was made the order of the day for this afternoon at 3 o'clock, and,

On motion, the Rev. Dr. Hamner was invited to address the Synod on the subject of Education, after the reading of the report.

On motion, the report of the Agent of Publication was made the order of the day for 11 o'clock A. M. on Friday.

On motion, the report of the Agent on Sustentation was made the second order of the day for Friday.

On motion, the report of the Agent of Foreign Missions was made the third order of the day for Friday.

On motion, Synod then took recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

At 3 o'clock P. M. the Synod met, and the order of the day was taken up.

Rev. Neill McKay, Synodical Agent on Education, read his report, which was, on motion, accepted.

The Synod was then addressed by Rev. J. G. Hamner, D.D., Rev. E. T. Baird, D.D., and others, after which the following resolutions, were adopted, viz:

1. Resolved, That the increased number of candidates for the Ministry in our church is cause of devout gratitude, gives renewed encouragement for continued prayer to the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers, and calls upon all our people and churches to use all lawful and practicable means to raise up and sustain a pious, learned and efficient ministry.

2. Resolved, That the Synod have heard with interest and profit, the Rev. Dr. Hamner, on the subject of Education, appreciate his gratuitous labors in the premises, and cordially commend him to our people and churches.

Rev. G. Wilson McPhail, D.D., appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Mr. William Murdoch, a ruling-elder of Concord Presbytery, and Messrs. B. F. Sanders and J. W. Wright, ruling-elders of Fayetteville Presbytery, appeared in Synod and their names were enrolled.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9½ A. M.

Closed with prayer.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20th, 1868.

Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called and the Minutes were read and approved.

Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson and Rev. H. H. Banks appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Messrs. William A. Faison and John H. Murphy, ruling-elders of Fayetteville Presbytery, appeared in Synod and their names were enrolled.

Letters were read from Rev. Charles Phillips, D.D., Rev. Edward Hines and Rev. Daniel A. Penick, Sen., rendering

satisfactory reasons for their absence from the present sessions of Synod.

Rev. J. L. Wilson, D.D., of the Synod of South Carolina, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Mr. D. A. Davis, Treasurer of the Synod, through the Stated Clerk, tendered the resignation of his office.

On motion, the resignation of Mr. Davis, as Treasurer, was accepted; and the thanks of the Synod were unanimously tendered to him for the fidelity with which he has discharged the duties of his office.

On motion, Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, of Greensboro', N. C., was unanimously chosen as the Treasurer of this Synod.

The committee on Bills and Overtures made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The Committee on Bills and Overtures beg leave to report, that they have in their hands an overture from the Presbytery of Fayetteville, asking the Synod to erect a new Presbytery, by dividing the said Presbytery. The overture is in the following words:

OVERTURE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully overtures the Synod of North Carolina to erect a new Presbytery in the eastern part of what is now Fayetteville Presbytery, with the following boundary, viz:

Beginning on the South Carolina line with the western boundary of Columbus County, and running thence along the western boundary of Bladen and Sampson Counties to the southern boundary of Orange Presbytery, and thence along that line to the ocean; and that the new Presbytery thus erected be called "THE PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON."

This territory includes the following Ministers and Churches: H. A. Munroe, James Kelly, C. Shaw, S. C. Alexander, D. B. Black, H. L. Singleton, B. F. Marable, James M. Sprunt, Luther McKinnon, and S. H. Isler; with Licentiates N. W. Herring, J. A. Woodburn, and Archibald McFadyen. Churches: Beth-Car, Elizabethtown, Mount Horeb, Brown Marsh, Whiteville, White Plains, South River Chapel, Black River Chapel, Clinton, Springvale, Oak Plane, Union (in Duplin,) Grove, Goldsboro', Beaver Creek, Catharine Lake, Rockfish, Mount Zion, Hopewell, Keith, Moore's Creek, Pike, Mount Williams, 1st Church, Wilmington, 2d Church, Wilmington.

A true extract from the Minutes of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, at their sessions, held at Rockfish Church, Duplin County, N. C., November 17, 1868.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Your Committee recommend,

1. That the Synod of North Carolina do erect a new Presbytery out of a part of Fayetteville Presbytery. The new Presbytery to be known by the name of "THE PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON." The following to be the dividing line between the two Presbyteries:

Beginning on the South Carolina line with the western boundary of Columbus County, running thence along the western boundaries of Bladen and Sampson Counties to the southern boundary of Orange Presbytery, and with said line to the ocean. The new Presbytery to include the territory lying east and south of said line. The following members of Fayetteville Presbytery to compose the new Presbytery, viz: H. A. Munroe, James Kelly, Colin Shaw, S. C. Alexander, D. B. Black, H. L. Singleton, B. F. Marable, James M. Sprunt, L. McKinnon and S. H. Isler; with Licentiates N. W. Herring, J. A. Woodburn and Archibald McFadyen. Having under their care the following churches: Beth-Car, Elizabethtown, Mount Horeb, Brown Marsh, Whiteville, White Plains, South River Chapel, Black River Chapel, Clinton, Springvale, Oak Plane, Union (in Duplin,) Grove, Goldsboro', Beaver Creek, Catharine Lake, Rockfish, Mount Zion, Hopewell, Keith, Moore's Creek, Pike, Mount Williams, 1st Church, Wilmington, 2d Church, Wilmington.

2. That the Presbytery of Wilmington convene for the first time, in the parlor of Mr. Patrick Murphy's house, in the city of Wilmington, N. C., on this afternoon, the 21st day of November 1868, at 7½ o'clock; and that the Rev. Colin Shaw preside as Moderator.

The committee to whom the report of the Trustees of Synod was referred made their report, which was accepted, adopted and is as follows:

The Committee to whom the report of the Trustees of Synod was referred respectfully present the following preamble and resolutions, for the adoption of Synod, viz:

Whereas, the Trustees of Synod have failed to obey the injunctions of the Synod last year, concerning the Lorantz Fund, and have failed also to give any reason for not obeying, and have also failed to inform the Synod whether they have taken any steps whatever to collect or secure moneys belonging to said Fund, therefore

Resolved, 1. That the Synod feels that by accepting the legacy of Mr. A. Lorantz, it has pledged itself to a faithful adherence to the conditions of that legacy, and is bound to see them carried out.

Resolved, 2. The Synod cannot approve the light and careless manner in which its injunctions have been treated by the Trustees.

Resolved, 3. That the Trustees be a second time directed to act, just as soon as practicable, upon the recommendations of Synod, adopted at its last meeting, and report to the Synod next Fall what they have done.

Morganton, N. C., was chosen as the place, and the second Wednesday of October 1869, at 7 o'clock P. M., as the time, for the next meeting of the Synod.

The committee to whom was referred the records of the Presbytery of Orange reported that they had examined the said records, and recommend that they be approved as far as written, viz: to page 475.

This report was accepted and adopted.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the Rev. J. Henry Smith, Synodical Agent of Publication and Colportage, read his report, which was, on motion, accepted.

The Rev. E. T. Baird, D.D., Secretary of the Assembly's Committee of Publication, then addressed the Synod by invitation. After some further discussion, the report of the Synodical Agent was, on motion, referred to a committee consisting of the several Presbyterial Agents of Publication and Colportage, viz: Rev. Messrs. Fairley, Harding and Smith.

On motion, the Synod then took recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

At 3 o'clock P. M. the Synod met.

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Synodical Agent of Publication and Colportage made their report, which was accepted, amended, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee to whom was referred the report of the Synodical Agent of Publication and Colportage respectfully recommend for the adoption of Synod the following preamble and resolutions, viz:

Whereas, there seems to be so many churches in the bounds of the several Presbyteries which do not contribute to the important cause of Publication, which have no Sabbath Schools, and are thus destitute of this means of training children in the pure and vital principles of religion, therefore,

Resolved, 1. That the Synod do enjoin it upon the Presbyteries to require their churches to contribute, regularly, of their substance to this object.

Resolved, 2. That the Presbyteries also require their churches to establish Sabbath Schools where there are none, and to furnish these schools with the "Children's Friend" and the other excellent publications of the Central Committee.

The second order of the day was then taken up, and Rev. John M. Sherwood, Synodical Agent on Sustentation, made his report, which was, on motion, accepted.

The Synod was then addressed by Rev. J. L. Wilson, D.D., the Assembly's Secretary on Sustentation.

On motion, the following resolutions appended to the report were then adopted, viz:

Resolved, 1. That the Synod most heartily approves of the action of the last General Assembly, fixing the minimum salary of a laboring minister at

$600, and commends the action of the Presbyteries in their resolution to secure this amount to every minister who is faithfully devoting himself to his work.

Resolved, 2. That in securing this amount for each and every minister, the Presbyteries should labor faithfully to bring the churches up in their contributions, so that we may not only fully sustain the work in our own bounds, but furnish liberal aid in supplying the great wastes in other States.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to prepare a plan of systematic collections, and report the same to Synod at as early an hour as practicable.

Rev. A. W. Miller, D.D., Rev. H. L. Singleton, and Gen. John A. Young, ruling-elder, constitute this committee.

On motion, Synod then took recess until after public worship to-night.

After public worship the Synod met, and the third order of the day was taken up.

The report of Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Synodical Agent on Foreign Missions, was read, and, on motion, it was accepted.

The Synod was then addressed by the Rev. J. L. Wilson, D.D., the Assembly's Secretary of Foreign Missions.

On motion, the resolutions appended to the report of the Synodical Agent were adopted and are as follows, viz:

Resolved, 1. That the Synod thankfully acknowledges the blessing of God upon the Missionary efforts of the Church, and feels encouraged to present this cause as very worthy of the prayers and alms of our people.

Resolved, 2. That the Synod enjoins upon Pastors, Supplies and Sessions of all the Churches, to use faithfully all the means best adapted in their judgment to awaken interest in behalf of this cause, in the young people of our congregations, and to secure contributions to the same.

Resolved, 3. That Synod directs the attention of the members of our churches, and especially of heads of families and Sabbath School teachers, to "THE MISSIONARY," a small journal published by the Assembly's Committee of Foreign Missions, monthly, in Columbia, S. C., giving monthly intelligence concerning all of the Missionary operations of the church. [Terms, 50 cents a year packages of 20 or more 25 cents. Address "The Missionary," Columbia, S. C.]

On motion, Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21st, 1868.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. John Everett, ruling-elder of Wilmington Presbytery, appeared in Synod and his name was enrolled.

On motion, it was resolved that the Synod will hereafter call upon ruling-elders in the same manner as upon ministers for their excuses for tardiness.

The committee appointed to prepare a brief memorial of Rev. John D. Wilson and Rev. W. B. Watts made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The Committee appointed to prepare a brief memorial minute in relation to the decease of the Rev. Messrs. Wilson and Watts would submit to the consideration of the Synod the following:

The Great Head of the church has been pleased, in His sovereignty and wisdom, to remove from the labors of earth to the rest of heaven, Winslow Brainerd Watts and John Davies Wilson, members of this Synod, and brethren beloved in the Lord. The Synod of North Carolina, while expressing its grief, would, nevertheless, bow with submission to the Divine will, adoring the grace which made these brethren so lovely in life, so dear and lamented in death; and would bear an unfaltering testimony to the faith and love, the zeal and labor which characterized their entire ministry. "Faithfully did they serve God and His Church in their day and generation." Their work has been well and early done: and quickly have they been summoned to their reward. They died in the full vigor of manhood, and in the midst of their usefulness. "Thy way, O God, is in the sea, and thy path in the deep waters." "Clouds and darkness are round about thee, righteousness and judgment are the habitation of thy throne." The Synod would express its earnest sympathy with the bereaved widows and children of the deceased: and commend them to the God of promise and of covenant-keeping faithfulness, for peace and guidance, for comfort and full consolation: and would hereby instruct its stated clerk to forward to them copies of this minute.

The Synod would desire to take home to the heart the lessons taught in this afflictive dispensation of the Most High, resolving to work whilst the day lasts—to watch, lest the Master, "coming suddenly, should find His servants sleeping."

The Judicial committee reported that no papers or documents of a judicial character had come into their hands. On motion, this report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The committee on the records of Concord Presbytery presented the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee appointed to examine the records of Concord Presbytery report, that they have discharged that duty, and recommend their approval as far

as written, with one exception, viz: On page 407 it is stated that the Presbytery adjourned to meet at Back Creek, and there is no evidence that it was closed with prayer.

The committee on the minutes of the General Assembly made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The Committee appointed to examine the minutes of the General Assembly for its last two sessions would embody its report for the adoption of Synod in the following resolutions, which express items and principles in the Assembly's proceedings of special interest to our people.

Resolved, 1. That in accordance with the teachings of the Assembly's minutes on page 141, our ministers should, from the pulpit, enforce the great doctrine, that "giving is an act of worship and a means of grace," to be performed and enjoyed with system and regularity.

Resolved, 2. That according to the recommendations of the Assembly's minutes, on pages 152, 265, 266, the Synod earnestly enjoins it upon the Presbyteries within its bounds to employ evangelists in its destitute fields as far as practicable, to have as much evangelistic work as possible performed by pastors, and to report annually to the Assembly the amount of this labor done.

Resolved, 3. That the Synod approves and reaffirms the Assembly's minute on page 266, and "urges our people to establish and encourage schools and colleges under Presbyterian influence, and not to send their children to schools where they are likely to be estranged from their own church."

Resolved, 4. That this Synod endorses the action of the Assembly, found on page 269 of the minutes, and in accordance with it enjoins upon its Presbyteries "to see that Sabbath Schools in the churches, and mission schools under the care of the churches, be established in all cases where it is practicable; and also to send up annually to the General Assembly special reports of the extent and character of the Sabbath School work within their bounds."

Resolved, 5. That we approve the Assembly's minutes on page 271, relating to the education of young men for the ministry; that we should extend the necessary aid to all our young men preparing for the gospel ministry; that our Presbyteries should bring the subject of contributions to this cause before all our churches, that each church member may contribute to it as "the Lord has prospered him;" and that our Presbyteries should make each year a full report of their operations to the central agency in time for the educational committee's annual report to the General Assembly.

Resolved, 6. That this Synod concurs with the Assembly's minute on page 272, and urges its Presbyteries "to require in future a more rigid adherence to the rules of the church regulating the formation and dissolution of the pastoral relation."

Resolved, 7. That this Synod agrees with the Assembly's recommendations on page 273 of the minutes in respect to the Publication Committee; that it urges the churches "to continue and enlarge their donations until this committee has a working capital of $50,000 as proposed by the Assembly, and that it enjoins upon the Presbyteries to introduce the books and publications of the committee within their bounds, by means of Colporteurs, wherever practicable.

Resolved, 8. That the Synod accords with the Assembly's action respecting sustentation, on page 274 of its minutes, and enjoins it upon the Presbyteries that they endeavor, by co-operation with this committee, to raise the salary of each laboring pastor to at least $500, and that they do not hereafter favor the settlement of pastors upon a less salary than this.

Resolved, 9. That the minutes on page 276, relating to Foreign Missions, deserve serious attention; that we urge the observance of the monthly concert of prayer for Foreign Missions, and the training of our children in Sabbath-schools to contribute to the Foreign Missionary work.

Resolved, 10. That the conditions mentioned in Minutes, pages 278 and 279, upon which the sustentation committee make appropriations, are approved by this Synod, and that each minister should preach at least once a year upon "the duty of worshipping God with our substance as he hath prospered us," and that each congregation should take up at least one annual collection for each of the four benevolent agencies of the church, while the Presbyteries are enjoined to require ministers sent as supplies to vacant congregations to take up collections for the schemes of the Assembly.

Resolved, 11. That the Synod approves the action of the Assembly relating to the relief of disabled ministers and their widows and orphans, found on page 280 of the minutes, and while it would not urge the raising of a large vested fund for this purpose, yet it would deem one annual collection in all our churches for the relief of our disabled brethren and their families a wise measure.

Resolved, 12. That our ministers be directed to read this paper from their pulpits to their congregations at their earliest convenience.

The committee appointed to prepare a plan of systematic collections made a report, which was read and accepted.

After some discussion it was referred to a committee of seven, to prepare a new report and present it to the Synod at its next stated meeting.

On this committee were appointed the following ministers and ruling-elders, viz: Rev. Messrs. Jesse Rankin, Jacob Doll, James H. Colton and E. H. Harding, with ruling-elders Stephen Neal, J. C. Smith, Jr., and Wm. Murdoch.

The committee appointed to prepare an address to the churches on the state of religion in the bounds of the Synod made a report, which was accepted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes of the Synod, and also in the "North Carolina Presbyterian."

Mr. D. A. Davis, Treasurer of Synod, made his report, which was read, and, on motion, referred to the committee on the Treasurer's account.

The committee to whom was referred the report of the

Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The committee on the report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary respectfully report, that from their examination of the said report, they find abundant cause for gratitude to the Great Head of the church for His peculiar regard and blessings upon this venerable institution.

The Directors report that the examination of the classes gave unmingled satisfaction, and testify in strong terms to the zeal, fidelity and ability with which the faculty have discharged their duties, as well as to the irreproachable character and high attainments of the students.

It is recommended to the Synod that it require the name of any director who shall be absent from the appointed meetings of the Board, without satisfactory excuse, to be stricken from the roll. Your committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That if any Director shall be absent from any appointed meeting of the Board, without assigning a sufficient excuse, his name shall be dropped from the roll.

As the term of office of the 4th class of the Board of Directors expires at this meeting of the Synod, your committee recommend the re-election of the same class, viz: Rev. J. Henry Smith, Rev. John M. Sherwood and Dr. E. Nye Hutchison, ruling-elder.

And as there are two ruling-elders to be appointed on the Board of Electors at this time, in the places of Mr. M. D. Johnston and Rev. C. H. Wiley, your committee suggest the names of Mr. W. H. Crow and Mr. D. A. Davis, ruling-elders.

The condition and prospects of this seminary are encouraging to a large degree, and should inspire us with yet greater interest in its welfare and in enlarged efforts to promote its spiritual and material prosperity.

Your committee suggest that the seminary, in its relations to our church and its claims, be more frequently brought to the attention of our people, and that they be induced to co-operate in sustaining it by their prayers and by their means, either by contributing to its funds or ministering to the present wants of the students.

With the prayer that the richest blessings of heaven may ever descend upon this beloved institution, your committee submit the foregoing.

Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 20, 1868.

On motion, Synod took recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

At 3 o'clock P. M. the Synod met, and the statistical report of the Synod to the General Assembly was read by the Stated Clerk, and, on motion, it was accepted and adopted. The report is as follows:

REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA

To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

The Synod of North Carolina reports to the General Assembly of the Presby-

terian church in the United States, that on the 20th day of November 1868, they erected a new Presbytery out of a part of the territory belonging to Fayetteville Presbytery, and that the new Presbytery is to be known by the name of "THE PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON," and that now Synod consists of 4 Presbyteries, and that these Presbyteries consist in whole of 94 ministers, having under their care 188 churches, 4 licentiates and 26 candidates, viz:

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.
Orange,	23	51	1	7
Concord,	41	69	1	12
Fayetteville,	20	43	00	7
Wilmington,	10	25	2	00
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Total,	94	188	4	26

The Synod further reports that its next meeting will be held in Morganton, N. C., on the second Wednesday in October 1869, at 7 o'clock P. M.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 20, 1868.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was ordered to have one thousand copies of the Minutes of Synod published in pamphlet form.

The committee on the minutes of Fayetteville Presbytery made a report recommending their approval as far as written. This report was, on motion, accepted and adopted.

The committee on the Treasurer's account made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's account report that they have attended to the duty assigned them, and find the account correctly kept and accompanied by the proper vouchers.

Your committee recommends that the Presbyteries of Orange and Concord be assessed each seventy-five dollars, the Presbytery of Fayetteville fifty dollars, and the Presbytery of Wilmington twenty-five dollars.

On motion, it was resolved to place the reports of the Synodical Agents on the objects of benevolence in the hands of the editor of the "North Carolina Presbyterian," to be used by him at his discretion.

On motion, the order requiring Agents to furnish condensed abstracts of their reports, to be published in the Appendix to the Minutes, was rescinded.

On motion, the following resolution, which was passed at the 54th session of the Synod, held in Newbern, N. C., Nov. 1, 1867, was rescinded, viz:

5th. Resolved, That when any church has reasonable complaints to make, &c., &c. [See printed Minutes, 12th page and 5th resolution.]

On motion, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That the thanks of this Synod are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Wilmington for their hospitality and kindness to the members of this body, and also to the authorities of the Methodist and Baptist churches for the tender of their houses of worship, and to the several railroad and steamboat companies for facilities afforded to its members in attending this meeting.

Resolved, 2. That the Rev. H. L. Singleton be requested to read this notice from his pulpit at his earliest convenience.

The committee appointed at the last meeting of the Synod to prepare a sketch of the life and labors of the Rev. Robert Tate was, on motion, continued.

The committee on leave of absence made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The committee on leave of absence report, that they gave permission to the following members to be absent after the close of the sessions on Friday, viz: *Ministers:* R. Burwell, H. McLean, N. T. Bowden, M. McNair, H. A. Munroe, A. McMillan, John H. Coble and S. H. Isler. *Ruling-Elders:* W. H. Crow, J. D. McNeill, M. McKinnon, N. Graham, W. J. Currie, L. McNeill, A. Baker and D. C. McIntyre.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the respective Presbyterial committees on education be directed to take steps to bring before the churches the importance of furnishing rooms in Davidson College for candidates for the ministry, and of providing other material aid as clothing, &c., for their support.

The committee on devotional exercises made their report, which was, on motion, accepted, and the committee discharged.

On motion, it was resolved that the Rev. G. W. McPhail and others be heard upon the condition and interests of Davidson College, after public services to-night.

On motion, leave of absence was granted to Rev. Messrs. C. Shaw and S. C. Alexander; also to B. F. Sanders and H. Broaddus, ruling-elders.

On motion, Synod took recess until after public worship.

After public worship the Synod was called to order, and the Rev. G. Wilson McPhail and others were heard upon the interests of Davidson College.

On motion, leave of absence was granted to Rev. D. A. Penick, Jr.

The roll was called, when it appeared that the following members of Synod were absent without permission, viz:

Of the Presbytery of Orange.—Mr. J. C. Wharton, ruling-elder.

Of the Presbytery of Concord.—Mr. R. I. McDowell, ruling-elder.

Of the Presbytery of Fayetteville.—Mr. William K. Cromartie, George S. Carr and M. Morrison, ruling-elders.

Of the Presbytery of Wilmington.—Mr. John Everitt, ruling-elder.

The Minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned, to meet in Morganton, N. C., on the second Wednesday of October 1869, at 7 o'clock P. M.

Closed with devotional exercises.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

ADDRESS OF THE SYNOD

Of the Presbyterian Church of North Carolina, to the Churches within its bounds.

Dear Brethren:—Grace be unto you, and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We feel impelled to address you with great solemnity and tenderness. The circumstances of the time are such as to demand of us as your spiritual advisers and guides the greatest watchfulness and care; and on your part increased fidelity, circumspection, diligence and prayer. When we consider the dispensations of the Divine Providence and Grace toward us, we feel called to devout thankfulness, trust and hope. We are persuaded that if we are straitened, we are straitened in ourselves; not in our God. For in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength. The reports of our Presbyteries for the past year show that He has not been unmindful of His covenant; nor left Himself without expressive and precious testimonials of His faithfulness, power and love. Our churches have all been favored with internal harmony and peace. The glorious Gospel of the blessed God is preached among us, in the utmost purity. Some few of our churches report the special presence of the Holy Ghost in His life-giving and saving energy. Prayer-meetings, Bible-classes and Sunday-schools are in general use, in most of our congregations supplied with pastors; and we hope that the

spirit of missionary aggression, at home and abroad, has received a gracious impulse. Our territory is very large in proportion to our strength and numbers; and many of our settled Pastors are endeavoring to afford at least a partial supply to destitute points in our Synod. The system of Evangelists, so clearly recognized in the sacred Scriptures and in the constitution of our church, should be more extensively revived and restored among us. True spiritual prosperity requires that the doctrines of the Gospel be not merely speculatively admitted and retained, but punctually expounded and illustrated. We expect in a few months that our Synod will be represented by one of our ministers as a missionary on a foreign soil; and we invoke on behalf of himself, his family and his mission your sacred sympathies and prayers.

Truth requires us to say, however, that in a survey of our condition there are facts and considerations which throw a shade of darkness over the brighter tints of the picture; and suggest that humiliation and repentance before God are not less proper to us than thanksgiving and praise. In many of our churches the accessions to our numbers have been lamentably few; and in some none at all. This should be looked upon by us as at once a calamity and a rebuke. Next to the withholding of the bread of life is the withdrawal of the spirit of grace and regeneration. It is matter of regret also, that so many, especially of our feebler and vacant churches, should be reported as doing little or nothing for religious and benevolent objects. The contribution of our substance to the cause of God is as truly a part of Divine worship and as natural an expression of the spirit of gratitude and love as prayer itself; and it is associated with prayer in the experience of the faithful and in the sure testimonies of God. It ought to be assumed, that in every Christian family God will be worshipped: and yet we have reason to believe and to lament, that in many professedly Christian households family worship is wholly unknown.

There are certain dangers arising from the peculiar and painful embarrassments of the country, to which we feel bound in faithfulness to direct your attention.

Many who were formerly free from pecuniary pressure and the temptations incident to poverty, now find it hard to provide for themselves and those of their own household. They are, therefore, tempted to devices to evade their debts inconsistent with a nice honor and a sensitive conscience. They are in peril of making their legal obligations the measure of their moral duties, and of withholding more than is meet from the Lord's treasury. Coveteousness is a sin which the Lord abhorreth and against which in our circumstances it is especially incumbent on us to guard.

The political excitements and animosities of the times too, are such as should render the wise and conscientious believer peculiarly guarded in spirit and in speech. The church of the Prince of Peace should be the abode of peace; and no differences of political sentiment should be permitted to disturb its divine harmony or to mar its spiritual beauty.

Finally, brethren, farewell; be perfect; be of good comfort; be of one mind; live in peace; and the God of love and of peace shall be with you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all. Amen.

D. D. McBRYDE, Moderator.

REPORT OF ORANGE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Orange respectfully presents to the Synod of North Carolina the following report on Systematic Benevolence:

We have had during the year ending April 1, 1868, under our care 49 churches, of these, 33 have reported contributions to benevolent objects.

Of the 16 churches which failed to report any contributions, 13 have scarcely any existence. So that it may be said with propriety that all the churches in this Presbytery, having any strength worth speaking of, in the way of members or in the way of pecuniary ability, have contributed to benevolent objects except three. This is manifestly a very great improvement on the year that preceded it.

The aggregate amounts contributed during the year ending April 1, 1868, are as follows:

Foreign Missions,	$535 00
Sustentation,	783 00
Education,	639 00
Publication,	551 00
Miscellaneous,	1227 00
Total,	$3735 00

The total amount contributed during the preceding year was only 1686 68

So that the total amount of the contributions of the present year is largely more than double the amount contributed during the year which preceded it.

But leaving out of the account the contributions to Miscellaneous objects which do not come properly under the head of *Systematic* benevolence, we have two very encouraging facts:

First: The contributions to the 4 committees of the church for the year ending April 1, 1868, amounted to $2508 00.

The contributions reported for the same objects for the year ending April 1, 1867, amounted only to $921 70.

Showing that the aggregate of the contributions for the present year exceeds the contributions of the year preceding it nearly $1600.

Secoudly: During the year ending April 1, 1868, 33 churches contributed to the four committees of the church, while during the year which preceded it only 18 churches contributed, showing that the number of churches which made contributions this year nearly doubles the number which are reported as making contributions during the year which preceded it.

From these facts the Presbytery is induced to hope and believe that the churches under its care are disposed to come up more faithfully to the discharge of this branch of christian duty.

JACOB DOLL. Stated Clerk.

REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

The Presbytery of Concord report that all the objects of benevolence contemplated by the Church receive their attention:

That Concord Presbytery contributed during the year to Foreign Missions, $750 51

Publication, 259 77

Sustentation,	1,594 00
Education,	1,150 00
Miscellaneous objects,	1,888 00
Total,	$5,642 28

Our last report gave a total of $4,278 55.

We have not as yet received reports from the Churches concerning what has been done in behalf of disabled and deceased Ministers' families. And many of our Churches have failed to make any report to Presbytery of what was contributed by them to any of the objects. We believe the above aggregate would be considerably increased if we were able to collect fuller statistics. Our Presbytery has made advances every year in this department, which we have to confess our Churches have so long neglected and undervalued.

Respectfully submitted.

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk.

Sept. 26, 1868.

SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Committee on Systematic Benevolence, would respectfully submit the following report:

That during the past ecclesiastical year, the following amounts have been contributed to the various Committees of our General Assembly, viz: Up to April 8th, 1868—

35	Churches	contributed	to Sustentation,	$617 47
18	"	"	" Foreign Missions,	203 92
21	"	"	" Education,	126 10
21	"	"	" Publication,	129 83

From April 8th, 1868 to Nov. 11th, 1868—

28	Churches	contributed	to Sustentation,	$544 40
31	"	"	" Foreign Missions,	296 21
23	"	"	" Education,	127 53
22	"	"	" Publication,	126 46
12	"	"	" Disabled Ministers, &c.,	68 11
Total amount contributed,				$2440 01

Respectfully submitted, by order of Presbytery,

J. A. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Rockfish Church, N. C., Nov. 18th, 1868.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, VA.

Annual Report of the Board of Directors of the Union Theological Seminary, Virginia, to the Synods of Virginia and North Carolina.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY VA., MAY 14, 1868.

The Board of Directors respectfully report: That the members of the Faculty remain and occupy the respective chairs of instruction as reported on the 16th May 1867, to-wit:

President and Professor of Systematic and Pastoral Theology and Evidences, Rev. Samuel B. Wilson, D.D.

Professor of Systematic and Polemical Theology and Sacred Rhetoric, (adjunct) Rev. R. L. Dabney, D.D.

Professor of Oriental Literature and Biblical Introduction, Rev. B. M. Smith, D.D.

Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Polity, Rev. Thos. E. Peck, D.D.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Synod of Virginia—present at this meeting: Wm. H. Foote, D.D., Wm. Brown, D.D., C. H. Read, D.D., Rev. S. D. Stuart, Rev. J. H. Fitzgerald, Rev. H. C. Alexander, and Messrs. A. G. McIlwaine, E. M. Armstrong and C. C. Read.

Absent: Rev. W. J. White, D.D., Rev. J. C. Barr and J. R. Tucker.

Synod of North Carolina—present at this meeting: Rev. S. A. Stanfield, Rev. J. Henry Smith, Rev. J. Rumple, Rev. E. Hines, Rev. J. M. Atkinson, E. Nye Hutchison, M.D.

Absent: N. M. Roane, M. D., M. V. Lanier, Rev. J. M. Sherwood, Rev. F. H. Johnston, Hon. J. G. Shepherd, Rev. J. P. McPherson.

Whole number of students for the past year, twenty-four (24.)

Senior—Geo. W. Finley, Va.; H. Glass, Ky.; B. Helm, Ky.; M. H. Houston, Va.; Edw. Lane, Va.; G. Nash Morton, Va.; Wm. U. Murkland, N. C.; Rob't H. Nall, Ala.; Wm. H. H. Winfree, Va.

Middle—Edward T. Converse, Va.; James B. Converse, Va.; Alex. Cowan, Tenn.; William E. Hill, Va.; H. R. Laird, Va.; Arch'd McFadyen, N. C.; W. D. Morton, Va.; John Silas Young, Tenn.

Junior—H. E. C. Baskerville, Va.; Edw'd T. Hoye, Va.; John Garniss Hunter, Ky.; Jacob Lewis, West Va.; Charles H. Scott, Va.; James Shearer, Va.; D. S. Sydenstreaker, West Va. Total 24.

Of these, eight have completed the whole course of study, and have received certificates from the Board at this meeting, to-wit: H. Glass, Ky.; B. Helm, Ky.; Edw'd Lane, Va., G. Nash Morton, Va.; W. U. Murkland, N. C.; R. H. Nall, Ala.; Wm. H. H. Winfree, Va.; E. T. Converse, Va.

The Library is in a good condition, comprising above five thousand five hundred volumes, of which five hundred and seventy volumes have been added during the last year.

FUNDS.

The total amount of investments, deemed available by the Treasurer, for payment of *salaries* and *current expenses* is estimated at one hundred and thirty-six thousand nine hundred and sixty dollars and eighty-eight cents ($136,960 88.)

There are five complete scholarships, one of which (called the Baxter Douglass,) was constituted since the last meeting of the Board, by the late Miss Nancy Reid, of Lexington, Va.

There are other incomplete scholarships for which the sum of $7334 12 has been contributed.

The condition of the buildings and grounds has, within the past year, been much improved, by a judicious, tasteful, and economical expenditure.

The examination of the classes has given unusual satisfaction, reflecting much credit upon the ability and fidelity of the Professors, the system of study, and the character and attainments of the students.

It is a ground of rejoicing and hope that five of those now graduated have in purpose to devote themselves to the gospel ministry in foreign lands.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SYNODS.

It is recommended to the Synods of Virginia and North Carolina, to require,

that if any of the Directors appointed by them shall fail to attend any meeting of this Board, or of the Board of Trustees, without giving a satisfactory reason, to his Synod, for his absence, his office as Director and Trustee shall thereby be vacated.

The Synod of Virginia having made no provisions for the traveling expenses of its Directors, that Synod is respectfully overtured, and earnestly urged, to give special attention to this subject, and to make certain provisions therefor.

By order of the Boards. C. C. READ, Secretary.

The officers of the Boards are as follows, to-wit: Rev. S. A. Stanfield, of N. C., President; Rev. W. H. Foote, D.D., 1st and A. G. McIlwaine, of Va., 2d Vice Presidents; C. C. Read, Farmville, Va., Secretary; Rev. R. L. Dabney, D.D., Hampden Sidney, Va., Assistant Sec'y; F. N. Watkins, Farmville, Va. Treasurer.

The post office address, of the Faculty and Students, is "Hampden Sidney Va."

The annual meeting of the Board is on Tuesday after the second Monday in May, at 4 P. M., (11th May 1869.)

C. C. READ, Secretary.

Farmville, Va., May 15th, 1868.

To the Synod of North Carolina at its Session at Wilmington, Nov. 18, 1868.

The condition of the funds remains as they were in our report of 1867. We have been unable to collect any moneys.

THOS. A. ALLISON, for the Trustees.

Synod of North Carolina, in account with D. A. Davis, Treas'r.

1867,				
Oct. 31.	By balance from old account,			$52 50
1868,				
May 14.	To amount sent Rev. J. M. Sherwood on account for printing,	$50 00		
June 12.	To amount paid Express freight on package from Rev. R. N. Davis,	50		
June 12.	By amount received from Rev. R. N. Davis, Treasurer Concord Presbytery,			50 00
Nov. 17.	To cash sent Rev. J. Doll, Stated Clerk,	52 00		
19.	By amount assessment from J. H. Lindsay, Treasurer Orange Presbytery,			50 00
21.	By amount assessment from A. McLean, Treasurer Fayetteville Presbytery,			50 00
21.	To amount paid Rev. J. Doll, Stated Clerk, balance of account,	27 88		
21.	To amount paid Rev. J. M. Sherwood on account for printing Minutes for 1867,	50 00		
21.	To amount paid Rev. J. M. Sherwood on account,	22 12		
		$202 50		$202 50

D. A. DAVIS, Treasurer Synod N. C.

Moderators of the Synod of North Carolina.

	MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1813.	Rev. Robert H. Chapman	Alamance Church.
1814.	Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell	Thyatira Church.
1815.	Rev. William McPheeters	Fayetteville.
1816.	Rev. John Robinson	Raleigh.
1817.	No meeting—no quorum present	Rocky River.
1818.	Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D.D.	Fayetteville.
1819.	Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, M.D.	Raleigh.
1820.	Rev. William Paisley	Poplar Tent.
1821.	Rev. John M. Wilson	Salisbury.
1822.	Rev. John Robinson	Hillsboro'.
1823.	Rev. John Witherspoon	Fayetteville.
1824.	Rev. Colin McIver	Statesville.
1825.	Rev. John B. Davis	Greensboro'
1826.	Rev. William McPheeters, D.D.	Fayetteville.
1827.	The Stated Clerk has no record of this and two succeeding meetings.	
1828.	Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch	Raleigh.
1829.	Rev. John Williamson	Fayetteville.
1830.	Rev. Samuel Graham	Hopewell.
1831.	Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich	Hillsboro'.
1832.	Rev. Samual Williamson	Salisbury.
1833.	Rev. Henry A. Rowland	Wilmington.
1834.	Rev. James W. Douglass	Oxford.
1835.	Rev. Henry N. Pharr	Salisbury.
1836.	Rev. Joseph Brown	Fayetteville.
1837.	Rev. N. H. Harding	Shiloh Church.
1838.	Rev. Stephen Frontis	Third Creek Church.
1839.	Rev. Daniel A. Penick	Lincolnton.
1840.	Rev. Alexander Wilson, D.D.	Danville, Va.
1841.	Rev. William N. Peacock	Fayetteville.
1842.	Rev. Walter S. Pharr	Poplar Tent.
1843.	Rev. James Phillips	Raleigh.
1844.	Rev. Simeon Colton	Fayetteville.
1845.	Rev. Samuel Williamson	Charlotte.
1846.	Rev. Drury Lacy	Greensboro'.
1847.	Rev. Evander McNair	Fayetteville.
1848.	Rev. Cyrus Johnston	Salisbury.
1849.	Rev. John A. Gretter	Hillsboro'.
1850.	Rev. Adam Gilchrist	Centre.
1851.	Rev. Archibald Baker	Rocky River.
1852.	Rev. William N. Mebane	Danville, Va.
1853.	Rev. Hector McLean	Wilmington.
1854.	Rev. A. L. Watts	Concord.
1855.	Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D.D.	Greensboro'.
1856.	Rev. Neill McKay	Fayetteville.
1857.	Rev. Walter W. Pharr	Charlotte.

1858. Rev. Jacob Doll.....Newbern.
1859. Rev. F. K. Nash.....Wilmington.
1860. Rev. R. H. Lafferty.....Statesville.
1861. Rev. Edward Hines.....Raleigh.
1862. Rev. John M. Sherwood.....Goldsboro'.
1863. Rev. R. N. Davis.....Salisbury.
1864. Rev. A. G. Hughes.....Greensboro'.
1865. Rev. Colin Shaw.....Fayetteville.
1866. Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D.D.....Charlotte.
1867. Rev. Archibald Currie.....Newbern.
1868. Rev. D. D. McBryde.....Wilmington.

Stated Clerks of the Synod of North Carolina.

1813. Rev. Robert H. Chapman.
1818. Rev. Colin McIver.
1849. Rev. Drury Lacy.
1855. Rev. Archibald Baker.
1859. Rev. Jacob Doll.

Union Theological Seminary.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN NORTH CAROLINA.

FIRST CLASS TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

Rev. J. Henry Smith.
Rev. J. M. Sherwood.
Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson, Ruling-Elder.
To go out in 1872.

SECOND CLASS TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

Rev. J. P. McPherson.
Rev. Edward Hines.
Dr. N. M. Roan, Ruling-Elder.
To go out in 1871.

THIRD CLASS TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

Rev. S. A. Stanfield.
Rev. J. Rumple.
Mr. M. V. Lanier, Ruling-Elder.
To go out in 1870.

FOURTH CLASS TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

Rev. F. H. Johnston.
Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson.
Hon. J. G. Shepherd, Ruling-Elder.
To go out in 1869.

Electors in North Carolina.

MINISTERS.

Rev. Jacob Doll.
Rev. P. H. Dalton.
Rev. D. A. Penick, Sen.
Rev. Geo. M. Gibbs.
Rev. William W. Pharr.

RULING-ELDERS.

Hon. J. G. Shepherd.
Mr. William H. Crow.
J. G. Ramsay, M.D.
R. L. Beall, M.D.
Mr. D. A. Davis.
Mr. William B. Carter.

Trustees of the Synod of North Carolina.

Col. Thomas A. Allison.....Statesville, N. C.
Mr. D. A. Davis.....Salisbury, N. C.
Mr. William F. Cowan.....Statesville, N. C.
Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay.....Greensboro', N. C.

Agents of Synod.

Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Agent of Foreign Missions.
Rev. J. M. Sherwood, Agent of Sustentation.
Rev. Neill McKay, Agent of Education.
Rev. J. Henry Smith, Agent of Publication and Colportage.

Treasurer of Synod.

Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, Greensboro', N. C.

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MORGANTON, N. C., October 13th, 1869.

The Synod of North Carolina met according to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by Rev. Archibald Currie, from Romans, 5th ch., 10th v.: "For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son; much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life."

The Synod was then constituted with prayer.

The roll of ministers and churches was called, and the following members were found to be present:

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—Edward Hines, Jacob Doll, A. G. Hughes, A. Currie, Tho. U. Faucette, J. M. Atkinson, J. Henry Smith, F. H. Johnston, D. E. Jordan, J. C. Alexander, L. C. Vass and J. M. M. Caldwell.

Ruling-Elders—Thomas B. Donnell, W. H. Crow, J. H. Lindsay and William Bingham.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—Jesse Rankin, D. A. Penick, Sr., R. Burwell, J. Douglas, Wm. N. Morrison, G. W. McPhail, D.D., R. H. Chapman, D.D., William Graves, Walter W. Pharr, T. N. Paxton, G. M. Gibbs, J. F. W. Freeman, S. C. Pharr, D.D., J. Hood, A. W. Miller, D.D., B. L. Beall, W. C. Sheetz, D. A. Penick, Jr., William W. Pharr, E. H. Harding, W. A. Wood, R. Z. Johnston, William McDonald, H. H. Banks and R. H. Caldwell.

Ruling-Elders—Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson, A. G. Neal, R. S. White, J. R. Davidson, William Todd, J. M. Arnhart, L. C. Kirkpatrick, T. H. Robinson, R. McPherson, J. K. Graham, James T. Stewart, T. F. Beattie, Thomas Brown, E. B. Stinson, J. A. Witherspoon, J. M. Alexander, E. W. Faucette, S. W. Craig, E. Jones Erwin, J. B. Rankin, J. M. Greenlee and A. T. Summey.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—James P. McPherson, Neill McKay, D.D., J. M. Sherwood, M. McQueen, H. G. Hill, J. H. Colton, A. N. Ferguson and K. M. McIntyre.

Ruling-Elders—E. Kelly and B. Fuller.

PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

Ministers—Rev. S. C. Alexander, H. L. Singleton, S. H. Isler and L. McKinnon.

Ruling-Elders—E. W. Kerr and P. Murphy.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—G. W. Ferrill, S. A. Stanfield, P. H. Dalton, Drury Lacy, D.D., C. N. Morrow, Charles Phillips, D.D., C. H. Wiley, W. B. Tidball, H. B. Pratt and D. T. Towles.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—R. H. Morrison, D.D., A. D. Montgomery, Daniel Lindley, J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, T. P. Johnston, N. Shotwell, E. F. Rockwell, T. E. Davis, R. N. Davis, S. C. Millen, D.D., J. C. Williams, G. D. Parks, J. S. Barr, J. Rumple, Robert Bradley, R. B. Anderson and J. J. Kennedy.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—H. McLean, H. McNeill, A. McMillan, H. McAlister, D. D. McBryde, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen, J. H. Coble, D. Fairley and M. McNair.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

Ministers—D. B. Black, C. Shaw, H. A. Munroe, N. Z. Graves, J. M. Sprunt, B. F. Marable and James Kelly.

Rev. Jesse Rankin was chosen Moderator, and Rev. R. Z. Johnston and Rev. Luther McKinnon temporary Clerks.

On motion, Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING, Oct. 14, 1869.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the standing rule respecting excuses be so changed as to read, that when a member gives his excuse for absence it shall be deemed satisfactory, unless a motion is made to the contrary.

Rev. Messrs. J. M. M. Caldwell, Wm. N. Morrison, W. Graves, J. F. W. Freeman, Jacob Hood, W. C. Sheetz, Wm. W. Pharr and William McDonald rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of Synod.

Letters giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present session of Synod were received from Rev. Messrs. H. McLean, M. McNair and S. A. Stanfield.

A communication was received from Rev. S. A. Stanfield relating to the Union Theological Seminary. This paper was, on motion, referred to the committee on the Seminary.

The Moderator announced the following standing committees:

1. On Bills and Overtures.—*Ministers:* A. W. Miller, D.D., R. Burwell and J. P. McPherson. *Ruling-Elders:* E. W. Faucette and E. W. Kerr.

2. Judicial Committee.—*Ministers:* R. H. Chapman, D.D., L. C. Vass and A. G. Hughes. *Ruling-Elders:* B. Fuller and J. B. Rankin.

3. On the Records of Orange Presbytery.—*Ministers:* E. H. Harding and J. Douglas. *Ruling-Elder:* A. G. Neal.

4. On the Records of Concord Presbytery.—*Ministers:* Jas. C. Alexander and D. E. Jordan. *Ruling-Elder:* W. H. Crow.

5. On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery.—*Ministers:* H. H. Banks and H. L. Singleton. *Ruling-Elder:* E. B. Stinson.

6. On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery.—*Ministers:* A. Currie and Wm. McDonald. *Ruling-Elder:* T. B. Donnell.

7. To prepare an Address to the churches on the state of religion within the bounds of the Synod.—*Ministers:* J. H. Smith and J. H. Colton. *Ruling-Elder:* Wm. Bingham.

8. On Devotional Exercises.—*Ministers:* W. C. Sheetz and T. N. Paxton. *Ruling-Elder:* E. J. Erwin.

9. On the Treasurer's Account.—*Minister:* D. A. Penick, Jr. *Ruling-Elders:* A. T. Summey and P. Murphy.

10. On the Minutes of the General Assembly.—*Ministers:* G. W. McPhail, D. D., and J. M. Atkinson. *Ruling-Elder:* E. Nye Hutchinson.

11. On Union Theological Seminary.—*Ministers:* J. Rumple and T. U. Faucette. *Ruling-Elder:* J. H. Lindsay.

12. On the Report of the Trustees of Synod.—*Ministers:* H. G. Hill and Walter W. Pharr. *Ruling-Elder:* Dr. E. N. Hutchinson.

12. On Leave of Absence.—*Ministers:* William A. Wood and S. C. Alexander. *Ruling-Elder:* Thomas Brown.

Rev. P. H. Dalton rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

The statistical reports from the Presbyteries were read and received. They are as follows:

THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 22 ministers, and have under their care 52 churches, 1 licentiate and 6 candidates; that on the 14th day of April, 1869, they dismissed, at his own request, Mr. William S. Lacy, a licentiate, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Abingdon; that on the 29th day of November, 1868, they organized the church of Spring Wood, in the southern part of Guilford County, and that since the last meeting of Synod they lost by death the Rev. Thos. Lynch.

Respectfully submitted.

JACOB DOLL. Stated Clerk.

Morganton, N. C., Oct. 14, 1869.

CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina the Presbytery of Concord reports:

1. That they consist of 44 ministers and 70 churches, and have under their care 1 licentiate and 13 candidates.

2. That 20 of their ministers are pastors; 9 are stated supplies; 1 is pastor elect, (W. A. Wood;) 1 is a foreign missionary to Southeastern Africa, (Daniel Lindley;) 2 are domestic missionaries, (Thos. P. Johnston and William Graves;) 6 are teachers, viz: G. W. McPhail, D.D., president of D. College and *ex officio* pastor of College church; E. F. Rockwell, president of C. F. College; Robert Burwell, principal of Charlotte Female Institute; R. B. Anderson, president of Yorkville F. College, S. C.; T. E. Davis and J. E. Morrison, principals of Mineral Spring Academy, Anson County, N. C.; 1 is evangelist, (B. L. Beall;) and 5 are without charge.

3. That they received Rev. Robert Bradley from the Presbytery of Harmony, April 29th, 1869.

4. That they dismissed Rev. Alexandar Sinclair to the First Presbytery of Philadelphia on 29th April, 1869.

5. That they licensed Mr. William N. Dickey to preach as a probationer on the 1st May, 1869, and dismissed him to join the Presbytery of Eastern Texas, on the same day.

6. That they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. S. C. Pharr, D.D., and the church of Caldwell on the 26th February, 1869; and that between Rev. Walter W. Pharr and Fourth Creek church on the 29th April, 1869; and that between Rev. N. Shotwell and the church of Rutherfordton on 30th April, 1869.

7. That they installed the Rev. S. C. Pharr, D.D., pastor of Thyatira and Franklin (Rowan County) churches on the 22d May, 1869; and Rev. Walter W. Pharr pastor of Mallard Creek and Ramah churches on the 28th May, 1869; and Rev. Jesse Rankin pastor of Lenoir church (half his time) on the 13th June, 1869.

8. That they restored the name of "Flat Creek," (Buncombe County, N. C.) to the roll of their churches on the 2d September, 1869.

9. That 12 of their churches are vacant, viz: Wadesboro', Third Creek, Unity, (Rowan County,) Wilkesboro', Jefferson, Goshen, (Gaston County,) Machpelah, (Lincoln County,) Bethel, (Haywood County,) Franklin, (Macon County,) Hiwassee and Beulah, (Cherokee County,) and Flat Creek, (Buncombe County.)

10. That 8 of their 70 churches have a pastor all of his time, viz: Charlotte

Sugar Creek, Hopewell, College, Concord Town, Rocky River, Poplar Tent and Salisbury; 3 have a pastor two-thirds of his time, viz: Steele Creek, Philadelphia and Thyatira; and 16 have a pastor half his time.

11. That 37 pastors and stated supplies received for their services last year the aggregate sum of $23,699, and an average salary of $640. 23 of their ministers received $600 and upwards; 9 received under $600.

Respectfully submitted.

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk.

Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 1869.

THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that at present they consist of 19 ministers, and have under their care 44 churches and 8 candidates for the ministry; that on the 27th day of December, 1868, they lost by death our venerable father, Rev. S. Colton, D.D.

Respectfully submitted, by order of Presbytery.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Sharon Church, N. C., Oct. 9, 1869.

THE PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

The Presbytery of Wilmington would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that at present they consist of 11 ministers, and have under their care 25 churches, 3 licentiates and 2 candidates; that on the 25th day of September, 1869, they received by letter, from the Presbytery of Arkansas, Rev. N. Z. Graves; and that on the same day they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. B. F. Marable and Oak Plane church.

Respectfully submitted.

L. McKINNON, Stated Clerk.

South River Chapel, Sept. 25, 1869.

The narratives on the state of religion from Orange, Concord, Fayetteville and Wilmington Presbyteries were read, and, on motion, they were referred to the committee to prepare an address to the churches on the state of religion within the bounds of the Synod.

On motion, it was resolved to take a recess regularly each day at 11 o'clock to attend public worship.

On motion, Rev. Neill McKay, D.D., Rev. James P. McPherson, and William Bingham, ruling-elder, were appointed a committee to prepare a suitable paper relative to the death of the late Rev. Simeon Colton, D.D.

On motion, Rev. A. Currie, Rev. F. H. Johnston, and T. B. Donnell, ruling-elder, were appointed a committee to prepare a suitable paper relative to the death of the late Rev. Thomas Lynch.

The annual report of the Trustees and Directors of Union

Theological Seminary was read, and, on motion, referred to the standing committee on the Seminary.

On motion, the filling of the vacancies in the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary was referred to the standing committee on the Seminary.

The reports on Systematic Benevolence from Orange, Concord, Fayetteville and Wilmington Presbyteries were read, and, on motion, they were ordered to be published in the Appendix to the Minutes.

Rev. G. W. McPhail, D.D., President of Davidson College, addressed the Synod in relation to the interests of that institution.

Rev. R. N. Davis and Rev. J. J. Kennedy appeared in Synod and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

The committees appointed to prepare suitable papers in regard to the life and labors of Rev. Robert Tate, Rev. A. Wilson, D.D., and Rev. Daniel Johnson, not being prepared to report, were continued, and directed to report at the next session of Synod.

Rev. Ira T. Wyche, of the M. E. Church South, and Agent of the American Bible Society, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

On motion, Synod then took recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

After recess Synod met and resumed business.

Rev. Messrs. E. F. Rockwell, J. Rumple, N. Shotwell and J. S. Barr appeared in Synod and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Messrs. R. M. Rosebrough, J. R. B. Adams and D. A. Davis, ruling-elders, appeared in Synod and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

On motion, the report of the Agent of Sustentation was made the order of the day for Friday at 10 o'clock A. M.

On motion, the report of the Agent of Foreign Missions was made the first order of the day after recess on Friday.

The Agent of Education submitted his report, and, after some discussion, its further consideration was made the second order of the day for Friday.

The Synodical Agent of Publication submitted his report, which was, on motion, accepted.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING, Oct. 15, 1869.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Rev. E. F. Rockwell and Rev. G. M. Gibbs rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last session of Synod.

The Trustees of Synod submitted their report, which, together with a communication from the Trustees of Concord Female College, was referred to the committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod.

The unfinished business of yesterday was taken up, when the report of the Agent of Publication was ordered to be placed in the hands of the Editor of the "North Carolina Presbyterian," to be used at his discretion.

The order of the day for 10 o'clock was taken up, when the Synodical Agent of Sustentation submitted his report, which was accepted and ordered to be placed in the hands of the Editor of the "North Carolina Presbyterian," to be used at his discretion.

The following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be directed to have printed every year, on the last page of the minutes, a carefully prepared docket of the business of the Synod at its next annual meeting.

On motion, it was resolved that the following overture be sent to the next General Assembly, viz:

TO THE REV. GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S., TO BE HELD IN LOUISVILLE, KY., MAY 19, 1870:

"The Synod of North Carolina does hereby respectfully overture the General Assembly to provide for the Synods' calling a meeting of Presbyteries, during the sessions of Synod, for the transaction of their own or the Synods' business, when the Presbyteries have failed to appoint such meeting."

The committee appointed to prepare a suitable paper relative to the death of the late Rev. Simeon Colton, D.D., submitted their report, which was accepted and ordered to be published in the "North Carolina Presbyterian."

On motion, Synod then took recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

After recess Synod met and resumed business.

The committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod made their report, which was accepted, adopted and is as follows:

The committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod, and the memorial from the Trustees of Concord Female College, would report as follows:

1. They recommend that the report of the Trustees of Synod, so far as it relates to the history of the Lorantz legacy, and the notes from that source now held by them, be published in the appendix to the minutes.

2. They recommend that the Trustees of Synod be instructed to make such a compromise with the parties from whom the notes held are due as they may deem wise and just, and as may lead to the most speedy settlement of the claims in their hands.

3. They recommend also that the Trustees be directed to pay over any funds coming into their hands from these claims to Rev. J. Henry Smith, Synodical Agent of Publication and Colportage, to be used in furthering the Colportage work in such a way as not to diminish the principal.

4. They furthermore recommend that the thanks of Synod be tendered to their present Trustees for the fidelity and diligence with which they have attended to the business intrusted to them.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the Agent of Foreign Missions submitted his report, which was accepted and ordered to be placed in the hands of the Editor of the "North Carolina Presbyterian," to be used at his discretion.

The following resolutions, appended to the above-mentioned report on Foreign Missions, were adopted:

1. Resolved, That the Synod is free and safe in commending this object to the prayerful attention and liberal support of all the members under their care, knowing no greater motive than the love of Christ, and no higher reward than his approval.

2. Resolved, That notice be given for united prayer to God by all our churches and people, on the 5th Sabbath in October, for the blessing of God to attend the efforts of our church in her Foreign Missionary operations and that the Holy Spirit may be poured out upon our devoted brethren in their arduous labors among the heathen.

The committee on the records of Orange Presbytery reported, recommending their approval. This report was adopted.

The committee on the records of Fayetteville Presbytery reported, recommending their approval. This report was adopted.

The committee on the records of Wilmington Presbytery reported, recommending their approval. This report was adopted.

The committee on the minutes of the General Assembly made a verbal report, stating that they found nothing in the said minutes requiring the special attention of Synod. This report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The committee on the Treasurer's account made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee on the Treasurer's account make the following report:
They find that the Treasurer has received—

From Orange Presbytery	$75 00
" Concord Presbytery	75 00
" Fayetteville Presbytery	50 00
	$200 00
And that he has paid out and has proper vouchers for	142 97
Leaving a balance on hand of	$57 03

Your committee would recommend the following assessments to meet the expenses of Synod for the ensuing year, viz:

Orange Presbytery,	$65 00
Concord Presbytery,	75 00
Fayetteville Presbytery,	40 00
Wilmington Presbytery,	25 00
	$205 00

Raleigh was chosen as the place, and the first Wednesday in October 1870, at 7½ o'clock P. M., as the time, for the next meeting of the Synod.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was directed to have one thousand copies of the Minutes of the present session of Synod published in pamphlet form.

The unfinished business was taken up, and the report of the Synodical Agent of Education was further considered. The report, as amended, was ordered to be placed in the hands of the Editor of the "North Carolina Presbyterian," to be used at his discretion.

The Judicial committee reported that nothing requiring

action had been placed in their hands. This report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Rev. John M. Sherwood, a director of Union Theological Seminary, being called upon, rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of the Board of Directors.

Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING, Oct. 16, 1869.

Synod met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

An overture to the Synod from the Presbytery of Concord, relative to the division of the said Presbytery, was read, and, on motion, it was referred to the committee on Bills and Overtures.

The committee appointed to prepare an address to the churches on the state of religion within the bounds of the Synod submitted their report, which was accepted, and the following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That 1146 copies of the address to the churches on the state of religion be printed in circular form, and that six copies be sent to each church in the Synod.

A letter was read from Rev. J. C. Williams giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the last and present sessions of Synod.

The committee on the records of Concord Presbytery made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The committee on the records of Concord Presbytery report, that they have attended to the duty assigned them, and recommend that the said records be approved with the following exception: That the circular letter of the Moderator calling a meeting of Presbytery does not appear in the minutes.

The committee on Bills and Overtures reported, recommending the adoption of the overture from Concord Presbytery relative to the division of the said Presbytery. The overture is in the following words:

OVERTURE.

The Presbytery of Concord being persuaded that the work of the Lord would be more efficiently performed, and at the same time much labor, expense and time saved, by a division of its territory, churches, ministers and candidates, most respectfully overtures the venerable Synod of North Carolina to set off from the territory of Concord Presbytery, in order to form a new Presbytery to be called "The Presbytery of Mecklenburg," the following counties, viz: Anson, Union, such part of Mecklenburg as lies south and west of a line beginning at Beattie's Ford on Catawba River and running thence with the road to Concord Town until said road meets the Cabarrus County line, Lincoln, Gaston, Cleveland, Polk, Rutherford, Buncombe, Henderson, Transylvania, Madison, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, Clay and Cherokee; with the following churches, ministers and candidates, viz:

Churches—Ramah, Mallard Creek, Charlotte, Sugar Creek, Steele Creek, Pleasant Hill, Hopewell, Caldwell, Philadelphia, Bethlehem, Providence, Sharon, Wadesboro', Lebanon, Unity, Castanea Grove, Machpelah, Goshen, New Hope, Olney, Dallas, Lincolnton, Long Creek, Shelby, Little Brittain, Rutherfordton, Sandy Plains, Swannanoa, Asheville, Flat Creek, Hendersonville, Mills River, Davidson's River, Bethel (Haywood county,) Franklin, Ebenezer, Hiwassee and Beulah.

Ministers—R. H. Morrison, D.D., J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, Walter W. Pharr, John Douglas, Robert Burwell, A. W. Miller, D.D., G. D. Parks, J. C. Williams, R. Z. Johnston, Wm. McDonald, R. B. Anderson, J. F. W. Freeman, R. N. Davis, J. S. Barr, John J. Kennedy, Nathan Shotwell, Robert H. Chapman, D.D., Thos. E. Davis, W. N. Morrison, H. H. Banks, Wm. Graves and Jacob Hood.

Candidates—C. N. Hutchinson, T. P. Maxwell, Charles M. Douglass, George Summey and James H. Morrison.

This Presbytery of Mecklenburg will thus embrace 17 counties, 38 churches, 23 ministers and 5 candidates. Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery.

R. Z. JOHNSTON,
Stated Clerk of Concord Presbytery.

Morganton, N. C., October 15, 1869.

The report of the committee of Bills and Overtures is as follows:

The committee of Bills and Overtures, to whom was referred the overture of the Presbytery of Concord touching the erection of a new Presbytery out of a portion of its territory, to be styled "The Presbytery of Mecklenburg," unanimously recommend

I. That the Synod of North Carolina do erect a new Presbytery out of a portion of its territory, to be styled "The Presbytery of Mecklenburg," with the boundary, churches, ministers and candidates in accordance with said overture.

II. That the Presbytery of Mecklenburg be directed to convene for the first time in the parlor of Mrs. Robert Pierson, in the town of Morganton, N. C., this morning, October 16th, 1869, at 11½ o'clock; and that the Rev. R. H. Chapman, D.D., preside as Moderator.

This report was adopted.

On motion, the following resolutions were adopted, viz:

Resolved, 1. That the Synod has heard with great satisfaction that many schools and academies in the State, of various grades, do receive and teach candidates for the ministry, and the sons and daughters of our ministers, without charge for tuition, and affording them other facilities.

Resolved, 2. That this Synod does hereby give thanks to the Great Head of the Church, in that while He calls so many of our youth to prepare for the work of the Gospel Ministry, He has at the same time put it into the hearts of these brethren to extend their generous aid where it was most needed; and this Synod takes unfeigned pleasure in heartily acknowledging the service thus rendered by them to the church.

The committee on Union Theological Seminary submitted their report, which was amended, adopted, and is as follows:

The committee on the report of the Trustees and Directors of Union Theological Seminary, having carefully examined the documents placed in their hands, respectfully report that the condition of the Seminary is such as to call, in a special manner, for thankfulness to God for the measure of prosperity He has been pleased to give to this institute of sacred learning.

From this report it will appear that the Seminary is in successful operation; that twenty-six students were in attendance during the last year—six of whom completed their course.

The Seminary has investments of the nominal value of $145,875 01, and possesses a library of 5800 volumes.

At their last meeting the Trustees adopted a revised "Constitution and Plan," which has been approved by the General Assembly and is now presented for ratification to the Synod of North Carolina.

In accordance with a request of the Board of Trustees, your committee recommend that the Synod proceed now to inquire whether provision has been made by the respective Presbyteries to pay the traveling expenses of Directors in attending the meetings of the Board.

We also recommend that the Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson, the Rev. F. H. Johnston, and Mr. Patrick Murphy, ruling-elder of Wilmington church, be appointed Directors for the next four years. And that Mr. A. T. Summey, ruling-elder of Asheville church, be appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mr. M. V. Lanier, made vacant by a standing rule of Synod for non-attendance without excuse.

The committee further recommend the following resolutions for the adoption of the Synod, viz:

1. Resolved, That the amended "Constitution and Plan" adopted by the Board of Trustees be approved and ratified by this Synod.

2. Resolved, That if the Trustees of Union Theological Seminary shall deem it wise to change the sessions and vacations of the Seminary before the next annual meeting of the Board, the Synod of North Carolina will approve the same.

3. Resolved, That as the office of Elector is not recognized by the new charter (the power of electors being vested in the Board of Trustees,) that the Stated Clerk be directed to omit the printed list of Electors, but continue to publish the names of the Directors in the Appendix to the Minutes as heretofore.

In conclusion, we recommend that the Synod expresses its confidence in this Seminary, as affording to her young men, who are preparing for the ministry,

advantages of a high order; and that the prayers of all our church to her Great Head be invited, that He would send forth more laborers into His harvest.

The committee appointed to prepare a plan for systematic collections in the churches of this Synod made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee appointed to prepare a plan for systematic collections in the churches of this Synod beg leave to present the following:

I. Your committee are of opinion that uniformity as to the manner of paying contributions into the treasury cannot easily be attained, but in this there ought to be uniformity, viz: That each church-member should regard it as a solemn Christian duty, upon the first day of the week to lay by him in store as God hath prospered him. (See 1 Cor., 16th c., 2d v.)

II. With regard to the manner of paying these contributions into the treasury several plans have been in use in different parts of the Synod.

1. Collections on the Sabbath day while the congregation are met for public worship.

2. The envelope system, and

3. The plan of each member making a subscription of the amount which he will pay at stated times for the benevolent objects of the church.

Your committee therefore recommend for the adoption of the Synod the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That each pastor and stated supply be directed to urge upon the churches to which he ministers the scriptural duty of each member of the church, on the first day of the week, to lay by him in store as God hath prospered him.

Resolved, 2. That each church-session be directed to fix upon some plan by which each church-member shall have an opportunity of paying in the treasury these weekly contributions.

Resolved, 3. That the Synod recommend to the sessions of churches the consideration of each of the plans proposed above, viz:

1. Collections on the Sabbath day while the congregation are met for public worship.

2. The envelope system, and

3. The plan of each member making a subscription of the amount which he will pay at stated times for the benevolent objects of the church.

The Stated Clerk made the following statistical report of the Synod to the General Assembly, which was accepted, adopted, and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly:

REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S.

The Synod of North Carolina reports to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, that, on the 16th day of October, 1869, they erected a new Presbytery out of a part of the Presbytery of Concord, and that the new Presbytery is to be known by the name of "The Presbytery of Mecklenburg;" and that now the Synod consists of five Presbyteries, and that these Pres-

byteries consist in whole of 96 ministers, having under their care 191 churches, 5 licentiates and 29 candidates, viz:

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.
Orange,	22	52	1	6
Concord,	21	32	1	8
Fayetteville,	19	44	0	8
Wilmington,	11	25	3	2
Mecklenburg,	23	38	0	5
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Total,	96	191	5	29

The Synod further reports, that its next meeting will be held in Raleigh, N. C., on Wednesday, October 5th, 1870, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

Morganton, N. C., October 16, 1869.

The committee on leave of absence made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee on leave of absence report that they gave permission to be absent to the following members of Synod after Friday morning's session, viz: Rev. H. L. Singleton; ruling-elders Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson and William Todd.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Morganton for their hospitality and kindness to the members of this body, and also to the authorities of the Methodist church for the use of their house of worship, and to the several railroad companies for facilities afforded to its members in attending this meeting.

The roll was then called and the following members were found to be absent without permission:

Presbytery of Orange—Ruling-Elder Wm Bingham.

Presbytery of Concord—Ruling-Elders J. M. Greenlee and J. A. Witherspoon.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet in the city of Raleigh on the first Wednesday in October 1870, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

ADDRESS OF THE SYNOD

Of the Presbyterian Church of North Carolina to the Churches under its oversight and care.

DEAR BRETHREN:—"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all." We feel impelled to address you again, as we have done from year to year. We have met here from different and widely-separated parts of the State; we have listened to the several narratives on the state of religion from the four Presbyteries that compose this Synod; we have conferred together and interchanged views on the condition and progress of that portion of the church of God committed to our episcopal or pastoral care. We cannot express all that the state of things around us and amongst us would suggest as appropriate and important. There is much to call for thankfulness, to awaken joy and inspire hope; but there are some things, beloved brethren, of a different character, which are calculated to excite fear and occasion sorrow, and which call for humility and repentance. We would enumerate some of each and make such suggestions thereupon as we humbly trust may be blessed to increase your zeal and faithfulness in every Christian duty, and to elevate, extend and deepen the purity and peace and holiness of the church of Jesus Christ.

It is a matter of thankfulness that, as a general thing, peace and harmony prevail in all our churches;—that so many churches and congregations are furnished with a living ministry and the means of grace;—that the great majority of these churches report some additions to their communion lists by the conversion of sinners—"by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost." (Titus iii: 5.) In some eighteen or twenty of our churches there have been seasons of special interest and gracious revival, where from fifteen to thirty communicants added to each church have been reported. We think it probable that not short of six or eight hundred souls have been brought from darkness to light during the past Synodical year. But, dear brethren, with greater faith and prayer and zeal, these numbers ought and would doubtless have been trebled or more: the Divine blessing is "according to our faith." (Matt. ix: 29.) Aye, more, "the victory that overcometh the world is our faith," (I John v: 4;) but *this faith*, indeed all genuine or living faith, is accompanied and attested by works. (James ii: 26.)

We rejoice to believe that our congregations are paying more and gradually increasing attention to Sabbath-schools and Bible-classes: still it is sad and painful to have to say that about eighty or more churches report no Sabbath-schools or Bible-classes. We would press attention to this subject, and urge the establishment of such schools or classes in all our congregations—in city, town and country:—it will cost time and trouble and self-denial, but it will return a rich revenue of reward to the teachers who engage in it, to the souls of our

children and youth, to the church and to the country. We would suggest, that besides the regular Sabbath-schools in our towns and rural charges, some special efforts be made to establish *mission schools* in the suburbs and outskirts; they may often be established, and large schools formed where no one imagined or thought it possible. Let us learn to "sow beside all waters." (Isaiah xxxii: 20.) Large churches of other denominations have thus been built up, and some are this day building up, right under the shadow of some of our old churches.

We are glad too, to report to you that "*the grace*" of *giving*, (II. Cor. viii: 7,) seems to be on the increase,—that amid our poverty, trials and fears, the people of God do not turn away from the calls of Christian benevolence. And yet we have to confess, that in this regard there are large numbers of church members, even in the congregations where contributions are taken up, who do not contribute anything, and there are about *one-half* of our *one hundred and ninety churches* that, according to the statistics in the General Assembly's Minutes, give nothing to support or extend the kingdom of God,—out of about 14,000 communicants in the Synod of N. C. we fear that more than 10,000 contribute nothing and never have done anything even in former years! God bless and reward the few who toil and make sacrifices for Christ, and increase their numbers, until every member of Christ's church shall feel it his or her duty and privilege to do something,—if it be but *a penny* saved by self-denial or a pair of socks knit and handed to the deacon. While on this subject, we would earnestly commend the general introduction of weekly contributions: a large and an increasing number of our congregations have introduced it, and all unite in saying that the scriptural, inspired plan (I. Corinth. xvi: 2,) is *wisest, easiest* and *best*. We do hope that faithful, patient and prudent efforts will be made to adopt this method in all our churches as fast and as far as possible.

We said in the opening of our address to you, dear brethren, that it was a matter of joy and thankfulness that so many of our congregations and districts of country were furnished with a living ministry and the means of grace; alas! however, dear brethren, there are many, many churches without pastors or stated supplies,—many that do not hear preaching even once a month,—many not once a year! In all such vacant churches we do urge the ruling-elders or the deacons, or in default of them, some of the other male members, to gather the people, read the Word of God and good books, and pray with and for the people, as we rejoice to know is now done in a goodly number of our vacant churches, and in our pastoral charges when the pastor is absent. But with all this, the cry is louder and louder for preachers of the gospel. We ought to have in this Synod at least *eight or ten evangelists* to labor and carry the banner of the cross outside of all our churches into the wide regions beyond,—in the eastern and western parts of the State. This is the great and crying want of the church in this Synod to-day. The meagre contribution to our sustentation and home missionary work is so small, that if every cent given in this Synod to this special object were dispensed within our bounds, it would not support fully even *two* evangelists; and yet we could employ *ten!* Dear brethren, while we are confessing this mournful fact and bewailing our leanness, feebleness and supineness, error of every sort is rife and spreading through our State. "The man of sin" has his eye on our broad lands,—our blue mountains and green valleys;

he has already instituted measures and is striving to spread the synagogues of Satan over all this State and over all our fair land. Romanism, with all its own invented ritualism, and its kindred and fawning but disowned puseyite daughter, are trying to supplant spiritual and New Testament religion by the forms and follies of the fourth to the sixteenth centuries of ruinous error and apostacy. We warn you against these delusions and damning corruption of the water of life. You cannot affiliate with these errors; you cannot help on directly or indirectly this unchristian, unscriptural, self-righteous, unholy, idolatrous, blasphemous, deceitful, soul-torturing, enslaving, persecuting and doomed synagogue of Satan, without peril to your souls and treason to Jesus Christ. "Stand fast," brethren, "in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free," and do not allow yourselves to be attracted or allured so as to be "entangled with the yoke" of its accursed "bondage." Are the pages of human history and of God's inspired and authoritative word all in vain? Shall this system of delusion and slavery—now trembling and fleeing from Europe—be hailed and welcomed and aided by the free and noble christian civilization of the South? Shall we allow ourselves to come within her arms and be hugged to her bosom, to feel too late the iron spike concealed beneath her vestment, (a figure suggested by one of the many engines of her torture and a fit emblem of herself;) and yet we have heard of Protestants, of communing members of Protestant churches, offering the papal church a welcome, giving to her bishop and priests lands and houses and money, and offering and sending their children to establish and support their schools and churches among our people. Romanism hates and fears the Presbyterian Church above all other organizations opposed to her. God grant we may always deserve to be feared and hated by her. We affirm here, and to-day, with unwavering confidence, that according to the Bible and the teachings of divine providence in history, "the Pope of Rome is antichrist—the man of sin and son of perdition, that exalteth himself in the church against Christ and all that is called God."

But, dear brethren, we would have you remember that the strength and glory of the Presbyterian Church is in her gospel truths and scriptural doctrines, and in the personal piety—the spiritual heart-religion of her members. *In these alone can we prevail.* When we or our churches grow worldly and careless about the truth, and try to compete with ritualism and error, by organs, by choirs and by such like,—when by forms of human device we foolishly attempt to popularize, to improve or make more beautiful the simple christian worship inspired men have given us—we acknowledge our weakness, and are conquered before the first blow is struck. The Presbyterian Church is strong and will spread, so long as she continues to be, as she is, "scriptural in her character, ordinances and doctrines; apostolic in her forms, officers and order of government and worship; adapted to secure the religious liberty and prosperity of all her members:" and commissioned and commanded to "extend the blessings of salvation to the ends of the earth."

Beloved brethren, imbibe her spirit, live consistently with the precious truths —time-honored and martyr-honored, which you profess, teach them to your children, and make them and all others feel, that while some may glory in this or that or the other, you glory only in "Christ and him crucified,"– that you

belong to a church whose grandest and loftiest peculiarity it is, in her system and preaching, to hold up the Lord Jesus Christ, and nothing beside him, and nothing before him to divert or prevent the immediate approach of every penitent soul to him—the only centre and source of spiritual and eternal life.

JESSE RANKIN, Moderator.

REPORT OF ORANGE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Orange respectfully submits to the Synod of North Carolina the following report of their benevolent contributions for the year ending April 1st, 1869:

We have under our care 52 churches. Of these 31 report contributions to benevolent objects, and 19 of these contributed to all of the committees. 21 churches report no contributions; but 13 of these have only a nominal existence. One (viz: Henderson) raised $752 last year for building their church.

27 churches contributed to sustentation, including collection for disabled ministers,				$727 49
23 churches contributed to foreign missions,				445 90
25	do.	do.	to education,	1164 17
20	do.	do.	to publication,	249 29
Miscellaneous,				1481 66
Total,				$4068 51

The total contributions for this year exceed those of last year $333 51. The contributions to the committees are $78 85 more than they were the last year, ending April 1, 1868.

It will thus be seen that our Presbytery is advancing in its work in this department, and we hope that soon all our churches will be reported as engaged in this work. By order of Presbytery.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

September 1869.

REPORT OF CONCORD PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

To the Synod of North Carolina the Presbytery of Concord reports on Systematic Benevolence as follows:

1. All the objects of benevolence contemplated by the church receive attention.

2. The aggregate amounts contributed during the year ending May 1st, 1869, are as follows:

Sustentation,	$2089 00
Foreign Missions,	914 00
Education,	1601 00
Publication,	478 00
Miscellaneous purposes,	5249 00
Total,	$10,331 00

Our last report to Synod gave a total of $5642 28.

Thus it appears our contributions have been doubled during the last year. Still we cannot report *all* that our people have done for benevolence, not having system enough in our times and forms of reporting. However, from reports received it appears that, with three or four exceptions, all of the churches which have any pecuniary ability at all have done something for one, two or all the

causes of benevolence. There are about 15 churches on the roll of Presbytery whose existence is but nominal—without the ministrations of pastors, and some of them not having even a session; and therefore the Presbytery hears of and knows them only through reports of supplies sent to them. Taking these facts into account, the efforts made by the 50 contributing churches are encouraging, and inspire the hope that the good people of God under care of this Presbytery are beginning to appreciate their obligations and to respond to benevolent objects more liberally and cheerfully than heretofore.

Respectfully submitted.

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk.

Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 1869.

REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC BEOEVOLENCE FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE TO THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The committee would respectfully report, that they are unable to make a satisfactory statement for want of the Treasurer's report, to which they have not had access.

It is believed, however, that some progress has been made in this good work, and we think that if our people were thoroughly indoctrinated as to the grace of giving, a much larger amount would be realized; and therefore we would again and earnestly beseech the ministers, elders and deacons to do their whole duty in this important department of Christian effort.

The whole amount contributed for the five different schemes of our church, from April 1868 to April 1869, was $1326 50, and for the past six months, closing October 1st, 1869, we hope the Treasurer's report, when received, will show some increase.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Morganton, N. C., October 14, 1869.

REPORT OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Wilmington would respectfully submit to the Synod of North Carolina the following report on Systematic Benevolence:

According to the report sent to the General Assembly last Spring,

16	churches	contributed	to Sustentation,	$576 14
11	"	"	" Foreign Missions,	169 20
10	"	"	" Education,	1235 22
11	"	"	" Publication,	92 55

And from April 1st to Sept. 23d, 1869, the Treasurer reports

13	churches	contributed	to Sustentation,	$80 53
9	"	"	" Foreign Missions,	44 43
4	"	"	" Education,	19 50
5	"	"	" Publication,	10 75
1	"	"	" Disabled Ministers,	4 75

Respectfully submitted.

L. McKINNON, Stated Clerk.

Sept. 25th, 1869.

AMENDED CONSTITUTION AND PLAN OF UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN VIRGINIA.

Adopted by the Trustees on the 12th May 1869.

ARTICLE I.—ORGANIZATION.

Sec. 1. This Institution shall be known as the "Union Theological Seminary in Virginia."

Sec. 2. This Seminary shall be under the care of the Synods of Virginia and North Carolina, by whom Directors shall be appointed as hereinafter prescribed, who shall constitute an executive body to be known as the "Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia."

Sec. 3. The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States shall have the right of general supervision over the interests of this Seminary, and, for this purpose, the Directors shall lay before the Assembly, at its annual meeting, a report setting forth the existing condition of the institution, and the Assembly can advise and recommend measures for its welfare. Should the Assembly see reason at any time to object to any of the acts of the Directors or other authorities of the institution, it shall send down to the Synods its opinion in the premises, but shall have no controlling negative, nor the right to originate any measures for the management of the Seminary.

ART. II.—OF THE DIRECTORS.

Sec. 1. The Synods of North Carolina and Virginia shall each appoint twelve Directors, of whom eight shall be ordained ministers of the Gospel and four ruling-elders of the Presbyterian church; and the twenty-four persons thus appointed shall constitute the Board of Directors. Of the twelve appointed by each Synod three shall hold office for one, three for two, three for three, and three for four years from the date of their appointment, and may be re-eligible.

Sec. 2. The Directors shall meet annually, on the Tuesday succeeding the second Monday in May of each year, at 3 P. M., and on their own adjournment. Special meetings may be held on the call of the President or Secretary, when either officer shall be requested by three Directors to issue such a call; and notice shall be given to every Director, by mail or otherwise, ten days previous to the date of such meeting. Seven Directors shall constitute a quorum. The meetings shall be opened with prayer.

Sec. 3. The Board thus constituted shall elect, annually, a President, Vice President, and Secretary, who shall perform the duties indicated by the titles of said offices.

Sec. 4. Vacancies occurring in the Board, from any cause, shall be filled by the Synods to whom the Directors whose seats are thus vacated shall belong. And when any member failing to attend two annual meetings consecutively, without being excused therefor, or removing from the bounds of the Synods electing him, or forfeits his ecclesiastical or official connection by immoral conduct, or becoming disabled by mental or physical disability, or by death, the Board shall declare his seat vacant, and report the fact to the Synod next succeeding the meeting when such declaration shall be made.

Sec. 5. The Board shall, at each meeting, qualify any newly-elected Directors who shall appear, and, whenever a Professor shall be elected, direct the manner of his induction into office, by such ceremonies and religious services as may be deemed best.

ART. III.—OF THE TRUSTEES.

Sec. 1. The persons named in the Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia incorporating the Seminary, passed 9th Jan'y 1867, and their successors chosen in the mode prescribed by law, shall constitute the Board of "the Trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia," (the corporate title.)

Sec. 2. The Trustees shall meet annually, immediately after the adjournment of the Directors assembled on that day, and on their own adjournment. A special meeting may be held on the call of the President or Secretary, issued at the request of any three Trustees, and notice of such meeting (given by mail or otherwise) shall be given to each Trustee at least ten days previous to the day of such meeting.

Sec. 3. The Board shall elect a President and two Vice Presidents, from their own body, and a Secretary and Treasurer, who may or may not be a Trustee. These officers shall perform the duties indicated by their titles, and each shall hold office till their successors shall enter on the duties of office. The Secretary and Treasurer, when not members of the Board, may participate, as members, in its deliberations and serve on committees. The same person may be eligible to both offices.

Sec. 4. The professors and other ministers or communicants may be invited by the Board to participate in its deliberations, and be entrusted with duties of committees to consider and report, and to execute the orders of the Board.

Sec. 5. The Treasurer shall, from time to time, execute the official bond required by law, and he shall receive such compensation as the Board may direct. At every annual meeting he shall present a full report of the condition of the treasury of the Seminary, with a detailed statement of his receipts and disbursements, and shall make other reports, verbally and in writing, when required by the Board.

Sec. 6. The Trustees shall appoint three Auditors (any two of whom may act) to whom the Treasurer shall submit his annual accounts and vouchers, and the Auditors shall report the result of their examinations thereof at the following annual meeting. Any vacancy in the office of Auditor shall be supplied by the President.

Sec. 7. The Trustees shall annually appoint an Executive Committee of five Trustees. This committee, on its own motion or on the request of the Treasurer, shall give its advice to him in writing on any matters affecting the funds, and, for any act of the Treasurer under said advice, he shall be relieved of responsibility. This committee may also transact any business (not requiring a larger vote than the whole committee might cast) during the recess of the Board, and especially may grant, by their signatures, authority to execute powers of attorney for the sale of securities; and may execute any other legal paper for the Board.

Sec. 8. A committee of repairs, of not less than five persons, shall be annually appointed by the Trustees, whose duty it shall be to direct such repairs as shall be needed on the buildings or enclosures of the Seminary, and draw on the Treasurer in payment thereof; *provided* the total amount shall not exceed two hundred dollars, or such other sum as the Board may appropriate.

Sec. 9. The Trustees shall appoint a Librarian and Intendant. To this last named officer shall be committed the care of the Seminary buildings and grounds,

including needful attention to the rooms of the students, the chapel and lecture-rooms, under the general supervision of the committee of repairs.

Sec. 10. Vacancies occurring in the Board shall be filled by the Trustees. A Trustee shall have vacated his seat by unexcused absence for two consecutive annual meetings, by death, by bodily or mental inability to act, by voluntary resignation, or by ceasing to be a Director.

Sec. 11. Elections shall ordinarily take place at the annual meetings. Whenever a special meeting shall be required for elections, together with the notice of such meeting herein before provided for, there shall be added a notice of the election proposed.

Sec. 12. All elections, unless otherwise ordered, shall be *viva voce*, with or without nomination. Three-fourths of the Trustees present shall be necessary for the choice of a Professor, and a majority in all other elections.

Sec. 13. The General Rules adopted by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States are hereby adopted, so far as applicable, as the Rules of Order for the Trustees.

Sec. 14. The Trustees shall fix the salaries of the Professors, which shall be of an equal amount; and no Professor shall be entitled to receive fees for instruction given the students in any department of study belonging to the prescribed course of study in the Seminary.

Sec. 15. The Trustees shall make an annual report to the General Assembly and to the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia.

ART. IV.—OF THE FACULTY.

Sec. 1. The Faculty of the Seminary shall consist of the Professors. Other instructors, appointed by the Trustees or the Faculty, may sit with the Faculty and participate, but not vote, in their deliberations. No person shall be installed a Professor who is not an ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

Sec. 2. Each Professor, when elected and having signified his acceptance of such office, shall, from the time of such acceptance, be obliged to perform all the duties and be entitled to all the emoluments of such office. But it shall be his duty, at the first annual meeting of the Directors occurring after such election, to deliver a discourse appropriate to his inauguration, in the presence of the Directors, and shall also enter into the following engagement:—[here insert the "engagement" in the Old Plan, P. 27, Art. ii; Sec. 13.] And the other exercises of the occasion shall be prescribed by the Directors.

Sec. 3. At the first annual meeting after his election each Professor shall lay before the Trustees a detailed exhibition of the system and method of instruction he proposes to pursue, and thereafter, at his discretion, may suggest such modifications as appear to him desirable; the whole to be subject to the approval of the Trustees.

Sec. 4. The Faculty shall annually appoint a President of its own number. In the absence or inability of the President the official senior Professor shall preside. They shall appoint a Secretary, who shall keep a record of all their transactions, and the book of records shall annually be submitted to the Trustees for their approval and revision. Any papers requiring the authentication of the Faculty must be signed by the President or the Secretary.

Sec. 5. For the complete organization of the instruction of the Seminary there shall be not less than four Professorships. The titles thereof shall be fixed by the Trustees, who shall have authority to transfer a Professor from one department to another, or modify his prescribed duties; *provided* nothing be done in the premises without the consent of the Professor affected. In any event provision shall be constantly made for instruction in natural and revealed theology, church history and government, and the interpretation of the Scriptures in the original languages.

Sec. 6. To the Faculty shall be assigned the entire police of the Seminary and control of the uses of the buildings and grounds and all parts thereof; the regulation of the hours of worship, of lectures, of recitations, of recreations, of meetings of students in societies, and of whatever pertains to the promotion of the piety, knowledge and social health of the students.

Sec. 7. The Faculty may suspend or dismiss any student who may render himself liable to such punishment by conduct which would incur similar church censures, or for such indolence or inattention to study as render him, in their judgment, an unfit person to remain in the Seminary. Of all proceedings in such cases a full account shall be entered on the records of the Faculty. Such student shall have the right of appeal to the Trustees, of which he shall file notice with the President of the Faculty and of the Trustees, at least ten days before the meeting of the Board, if such period shall elapse from the period of his sentence; otherwise notice shall be as long as practicable.

Sec. 8. A Professor, intending to resign his office, shall file with the Secretary of the Trustees a notice to that effect at least three months prior to the annual meeting of the Board.

Sec. 9. The lectures and recitations shall be introduced with prayer. There shall be held daily seasons of prayer, not less than two, excepting on Saturdays and Sundays, on which all students shall attend, and at least one Professor.

ART. V.—OF COURSE OF STUDY.

Sec. 1. The regular course of study and instruction in the Seminary shall occupy not less than three scholastic years.

Sec. 2. The branches of study ordinarily comprised in the course shall be as follows, viz:

1. The original languages of the Old Testament Scriptures, the Hebrew and Chaldee.

2. The Greek language, as presented in the New Testament.

3. The criticism and interpretation of both the Old and New Testament Scriptures in the original languages, and those subjects of study connected with these topics.

4. Natural and Revealed Theology.

5. The History and Polity of the Church.

6. Pastoral and Sacred Rhetoric.

Sec. 3. The students shall be trained in the art of expounding and preaching the Scriptures, and of discussing theological subjects, by such original essays as the Professors may direct to be read in their presence and subject to their criticism; especially each student of the Senior and Middle classes shall be required to

preach, in the presence of the Faculty and students and other persons, twice in each term or oftener; one sermon to be delivered without notes and one with the manuscript. The members of the Junior class shall prepare and read before the Faculty and the class two essays on any topic of a religious character, and, in turn with other members of other classes, shall preach one sermon publicly in each year.

ART. VI.—OF THE STUDENTS.

Sec. 1. Any young man who is a communicant of any Christian church of evangelical faith, being a graduate of a respectable College or presenting satisfactory testimonials of possessing such literary qualifications, especially in the languages, as would entitle him to enter the Senior class of any College, may be admitted to the privileges of the Seminary. But if such a student be a communicant in the Presbyterian church, and if not already under the care of some Presbytery, he shall be required to form such relations within six months after propounding himself for admission.

Sec. 2. Every student, on propounding himself for admission to the Seminary, if not already under the care of some Presbytery, shall sustain a satisfactory examination by the Faculty on his knowledge, piety and motives in seeking the gospel ministry.

Sec. 3. Before entering on his studies he shall subscribe the following declaration:— [here insert the declaration in Old Plan under Art. on Students.]

Sec. 4. The vacation shall commence on the day succeeding the annual meeting of the Board, and close on the second Monday in September.

ART. VII.—OF THE LIBRARY.

Sec. 1. The Trustees shall provide suitable accommodations for the library, and use due diligence in the preservation of the books and the increase of the library.

Sec. 2. The librarian shall appoint a deputy librarian, who shall execute suitable provisions to secure the students the benefits of the library, as directed by the librarian, under the advice of the Faculty and direction of the Trustees.

Sec. 3. The librarian shall keep a copy of the regulations for the use of the library posted in an accessible position in the library.

ART. VIII.—OF AMENDMENTS.

Sec. 1. This Constitution and Plan may be altered and amended at any annual meeting of the Trustees by a vote for such change of five-sixths of the members present.

Sec. 2. Any other regulations and rules for the management of the institution, deemed advisable by the Trustees and not inconsistent with this Constitution and Plan and the Charter, may be adopted by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting.

Sec. 3. All changes herein contemplated and all additions deemed of sufficient importance shall be reported to the Synods for their approbation; and while such changes or additions may be valid till the meetings of the Synods, in the event of their disapprobation the Trustees shall feel instructed to repeal such changes and additions.

A copy:—Teste. C. C. READ, Secretary.

Hampden Sidney, Va., June 1, 1869.

ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Trustees and Directors of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia to the Synod of North Carolina.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, VA., 12th May, 1869.

The Trustees and Directors respectfully submit to the Synod of North Carolina the following report:

The Faculty of the Seminary consists of the following professors:

Rev. S. B. Wilson, D.D., President and Professor of Systematic and Pastoral Theology and Introduction.

Rev. R. L. Dabney, D.D., Professor (Assistant) of Systematic and Polemic Theology and Sacred Rhetoric.

Rev. B. M. Smith, D.D., Professor of Oriental and Biblical Literature.

Rev. Tho. E. Peck, D.D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Polity.

The Trustees and Directors who were present at the annual meeting in May 1869 were: The Rev. Messrs. S. A. Stanfield, (President,) J. H. Smith, J. Rumple, E. Hines, J. M. Atkinson, F. H. Johnston, J. P. McPherson, and Elder E. Nye Hutchinson, of the Synod of North Carolina; and Rev. Messrs. W. H. Foote, D.D., C. H. Read, D.D., S. D. Stuart, J. H. Fitzgerald, H. C. Alexander, H. M. White, with Elders E. M. Armstrong, A. G. McIlwaine and C. C. Read, of the Synod of Virginia. The following trustees were absent, viz: Rev. J. M. Sherwood and Elders N. M. Roane and M. V. Lanier, of North Carolina; and Rev. J. J. Bullock, D.D., W. Brown, D.D., and C. L. Peyton, Esq., of the Synod of Virginia. Messrs. Peyton, Brown and Roane made satisfactory excuses for absence. The terms of office of the following Directors expire with the Synods of 1869: Messrs. H. M. White, S. D. Stuart and A. G. McIlwaine, of Virgina, and Messrs. F. H. Johnston and J. M. Atkinson, of North Carolina. The death of Judge J. G. Shepherd creates a vacancy to be filled by the Synod of North Carolina.

The number of students in attendance during the scholastic year was twenty-six; and certificates were awarded the following students of having completed the course of study, viz: J. B. Converse of Va., A. Cowan of Tenn., W. E. Hill of Va., H. R. Laird of Va., W. D. Morton of Va., and J. S. Young of Tenn. The report of the examining committee was most satisfactory, indicating great fidelity on the part of the professors, and diligence and proficiency on the part of the students.

LIBRARY.—The library contains 5800 volumes, 91 of which have been added since May 1869. Among the valuable additions by donation from the liberal friends of the Seminary is a copy of the elegant print fac-simile of the Codex Sinaiticus, costing $125 in gold, presented by T. W. C. Patton of New York, and is now in transit from Europe. Measures have been taken to procure plans and specifications for a library building, which, when erected, will add to the attractions of the public grounds. Donations, to the amount of $3000, in public securities, by Messrs. J. L. Weeks of Baltimore, J. T. Soutter of New York, and W. C. Gilman of New York, have been made to the library fund since 1st Dec. 1868. The Directors record with great pleasure these manifestations of interest on the part of the generous friends of Seminary, in its library.

FINANCES.—It is hoped that the incomes from the invested funds will yield a sufficient sum to meet the current expenses and the payment of salaries. The

investments from which these incomes are derived are of the nominal value of one hundred and forty-five thousand eight hundred and seventy-five dollars and one cent, ($145,875 01;) but it is proper to add that, in the disturbed condition of political affairs and from other causes, a portion of the public securities may prove unavailing for income during the next fiscal year. In addition to the Scholarships heretofore reported, the Trustees take pleasure in informing the Synod that a friend in Massachusetts has recently made the liberal donation of a certificate of the registered debt of Virginia, amounting to four thousand dollars, to found a scholarship in the institution. The "Olyphant" scholarship has been fully paid by the Messrs. Olyphant of New York, amounting to $3000.

These donations, together with those mentioned to the library fund, by parties residing north of the Potomac, call for thankfulness to God that He has raised up these friends of our beloved Seminary in that region of our country.

The Trustees respectfully recommend to the Synods to inquire, at each of their annual meetings, whether ample provision has been made for the payment of the expenses of Directors incurred in executing the high trust confided to their hands by the Synods—the representatives of the Church. Funds for this purpose ought to be placed in the hands of the Treasurer *before* the 1st day of May of each year. It is feared that valuable members of the Board have failed to attend its deliberations because their expenses have not been provided for.

THE "PLAN AND CONSTITUTION."—The Trustees have revised the Plan and Constitution, (recognized in an important legal particular in the Charter,) in order to bring it into harmony with the provisions of the Act of Incorporation. This amended Constitution and Plan is herewith reported and submitted to the Synods and Assembly for approval and ratification. It is deemed of practical importance that each Synod should make a deliverance on this subject *at its annual meeting in* 1869, and that their action in the premises should be certified to the Trustees of the Union Theological Seminary in Virginia.

On a review of the history of this Seminary for the past twelve months, and viewing its present hopeful condition, the Trustees and Directors feel authorized to call upon the Synods, and the followers of Christ throughout our church, to thank the Great Head of the Church that He continues to give to this institution so many evidences of His favor. Its past success and usefulness demand renewed effort and zeal in building up this "School of the Prophets."

The Board can with confidence and sincerity say to the church, that Union Theological Seminary presents to her young men, who are preparing for the noble work of preaching the Gospel, advantages of a high order in the prosecution of their studies.

Above all, let the Synods call upon each of their members to pray to the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth more laborers into His harvest.

The official list is hereto appended as a part of this report.

By order of the Directors.

C. C. READ, Secretary.

Farmville, Va., 12th May 1869.

OFFICERS OF THE BOARDS.—Rev. S. A. Stanfield, N. C., President; Rev. W. H. Foote, D.D., and Mr. A. G. McIlwaine, Va., Vice Presidents. C. C. Read, Secretary; F. N. Watkins, Treasurer and Assistant Secretary; Revs. W. Brown, C.

H. Read, Messrs. E. M. Armstrong, A. G. McIlwaine and C. C. Read, Executive Committee; Rev. B. M. Smith, Librarian; Rev. T. E. Peck, Intendant; J. T. Spencer, R. J. McKinney and C. C. Read, Auditors.

The post office address of the Faculty and students is Hampden Sidney, Va.; that of the Treasurer and Secretary is Farmville, Va. C. C. R.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

The Trustees report that they have no funds and no business under their care except the funds and the business growing out of a legacy of Abraham Lorantz. At a meeting of the Trustees in the town of Statesville, on Tuesday the 12th of this month, the subjoined was ascertained to be the history and the present condition of this fund: Abraham Lorantz lived in the county of Iredell, made his will in the year 1826 and died in 1828. He made in his will certain specific legacies, and directed that after the death of his widow the remainder of his lands and certain negroes, as specified, should be sold; and after discharging the legacies, "the balance of the money should be vested in the hands of the Trustees of Synod, to the end that it may further the promulgation of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ." These last words are the words of the will, designating the object for which the donation was made. Mrs. Lorantz died in 1844; the land was sold in the fall of 1844 by the administrator of Mrs. Lorantz, and as the Trustees deemed the bid on it ($700) too low, they bid it in for the benefit of the Synod, at that price. They held it, paid taxes and received rent, to the year 1848, when they sold it at $800, upon 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 years' time without interest. Three of the original notes are still standing and one of later date. One is dated 22d August 1848, at three years, for $126 26, subject to a credit of $76 45 on 11th of April 1854, signed by James H. Stevenson; net balance, principal and interest, on 12th October 1869, $134 71. One 22d August 1848, for $43 40 at four years, signed by James Lyons, James Stevenson and Moses Ramer, and netting at this date $88 02. One 22d August 1848, at five years, for $45 50, signed by James Lyons, James Stevenson and Moses Ramer, subject to a credit of $22 on 15th January 1854, and one of 50 cents on 22d May 1854; net balance this date $47 19. The fourth note is dated 17th January 1860, for $17 87, one day after date, and signed by James H. Stevenson; net at this time $28 30. These four notes, being the balance due for the lands, amount, with the interest at this date, to $298 22. The net proceeds of receipts from rents and payments on notes for the land were invested in loans to The Concord Female College, and $235 to the Synod's committee on Colportage, as authorized by an order of Synod at Greensboro', October 1846, and as also appears by the receipt of Mr. George McNeill, Sen., of Fayetteville.

The Trustee held four notes against the Trustees of Concord Female College. 1st, $100, 14th May 1859; 2d, $310, 19th May 1859; 3d, $304 56, 2d Feb'y 1860; and the 4th, $226 25, 25th October 1862;—all due one day after date. On the 12th of this month we obtained a renewal of these notes, and now hold one note for $1468 34, due one day after date and dated 12th October 1869. The Trustees give as the reason why the notes on James Lyons and James Stevenson have not been renewed, that the Treasurer, for some length of time, was unable to lay his hands on them, and after finding them he has not had an opportunity. Neither of the parties live in Statesville; otherwise an effort would have been

made to have secured a renewal on the 12th of this month, when the renewal was made by the College. The Trustees desire to say and to assure the Synod that proper attention will be given to these notes at a very early day. The Synod will perceive from the foregoing that our claim at this time against

James Lyons, principal and interest, is	$135 01
James Stevenson, " " "	163 21
Concord Female College,	1468 34
Making a total in our hands of	$1766 56

The Synod has enjoined upon the Trustees to answer as to the solvency of these debts. We beg to say and we deeply regret to say, yet in obedience to the requisition of the Synod itself we must say, that the claim against Concord Female College is totally unavailable at this time, and we fear for the future hopeless and lost, unless in the developments of the future—in a combination of creditors or a compromise of the debts—some distribution of assets should assign to the Synod a portion of its claim. The embarrassment of the College is well known to the members of the Synod. A mortgage on the property of the Seminary in favor of Davidson College creates a lien of, say in round numbers, $10,000; other liabilities outstanding may swell the indebtedness, principal and interest, to $20,000. The Trustees had at their command no data upon which to base a calculation to ascertain the exact amount, but the above figures approximate near enough to the true sum for our present purpose. Your Trustees conceive that it is within the province of their duty to suggest that the Synod authorize them to accept any settlement that they may judge to be proper under all the circumstances; at all events that they be instructed to receive and entertain propositions, and to hold conferences with the Trustees of the College and the other creditors, and to report the result to the Synod.

In reference to the two individual debts, the Trustees ask to be allowed to explain to the committee which you will appoint to pass upon this report. The parties are of limited means, one is an elder of one of our churches and has suffered greatly by a recent fire; both are much crippled, as all of us are by the events of the late war—rendering all obligations more or less precarious. The Trustees will speak freely with the committee and communicate all the information they have, and will recommend the course of action they deem wise under all the circumstances. We suggest the above simply to avoid a statement in public.

The Synod at its meeting in Newbern, 1867, instructed the Trustees to pay over to Rev. J. Henry Smith, Synodical Agent for Publication, whatever money they might collect. They have to report that none has been collected.

The notes referred to in this report are in the house and will be here during the sessions of Synod, and are open to the inspection of any one who may desire to see them. Respectfully submitted.

THOMAS A. ALLISON,
W. F. COWAN,
D. A. DAVIS,
JESSE H. LINDSAY,
Trustees.

Morganton October 13, 1869.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF SYNOD.

RECEIPTS.

1869, May 19.	Assessment on Orange Presbytery for 1869,		$75 00
	" " Fayetteville " " "		50 00
June 5.	" " Concord " " "		75 00
			$200 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

1869, May 21.	Paid Rev. J. M. Sherwood for printing, as per his account and receipt,	$142 97
Oct. 13.	Balance in the hands of the Treasurer,	57 03
		$200 00

JESSE H. LINDSAY, Treasurer of Synod.

Morganton, October 13, 1869.

Moderators of the Synod of North Carolina.

MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1813. Rev. Robert H. Chapman	Alamance Church.
1814. Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell	Thyatira Church.
1815. Rev. William McPheeters	Fayetteville.
1816. Rev. John Robinson	Raleigh.
1817. No meeting—no quorum present	Rocky River.
1818. Rev, Joseph Caldwell, D.D.	Fayetteville.
1819. Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, M.D.	Raleigh.
1820. Rev. William Paisley	Poplar Tent.
1821. Rev. John M. Wilson	Salisbury.
1822. Rev. John Robinson	Hillsboro'.
1823. Rev. John Witherspoon	Fayetteville.
1824. Rev. Colin McIver	Statesville.
1825. Rev. John B. Davis	Greensboro'.
1826. Rev. William McPheeters, D.D.	Fayetteville.
1827. Rev. R. H. Morrison, D.D.	Salisbury.
The Stated Clerk has no record of this and two succeeding meetings.	
1828. Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch	Raleigh.
1829. Rev. John Williamson	Fayetteville.
1830. Rev. Samuel L. Graham	Hopewell.
1831. Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich	Hillsboro'.
1832. Rev. Samuel Williamson	Salisbury.
1833. Rev. Henry A. Rowland	Wilmington.
1834. Rev. James W. Douglass	Oxford.
1835. Rev. Henry N. Pharr	Salisbury.
1836. Rev. Joseph Brown	Fayetteville.
1837. Rev. N. H. Harding	Shiloh Church.
1838. Rev. Stephen Frontis	Third Creek Church.
1839. Rev. Daniel A. Penick	Lincolnton.
1840. Rev. Alexander Wilson, D.D.	Danville, Va.
1841. Rev. William N. Peacock	Fayetteville.

1842. Rev. Walter S. Pharr.. .....Poplar Tent.
1843. Rev. James Phillips..... .....Raleigh.
1844. Rev. Simeon Colton.....Fayetteville.
1845. Rev. Samuel Williamson.... .....Charlotte.
1846. Rev. Drury Lacy.....Greensborc'.
1847. Rev. Evander McNair.....Fayetteville.
1848. Rev. Cyrus Johnston.....Salisbury.
1849. Rev. John A. Gretter.....Hillsboro'.
1850. Rev. Adam Gilchrist.....Centre.
1851. Rev. Archibald Baker.....Rocky River.
1852. Rev. William N. Mebane.....Danville, Va.
1853. Rev. Hector McLean.....Wilmington.
1854. Rev. A. L. Watts.....Concord.
1855. Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D.D.....Greensboro'.
1856. Rev. Neill McKay.....Fayetteville.
1857. Rev. Walter W. Pharr.....Charlotte.
1858. Rev. Jacob Doll.....Newbern.
1859. Rev. F. K. Nash,..... .....Wilmington.
1860. Rev. R. H. Lafferty.....Statesville.
1861. Rev. Edward Hines.....Raleigh.
1862. Rev. John M. Sherwood.....Goldsboro'.
1863. Rev. R. N. Davis.....Salisbury.
1864. Rev. A. G. Hughes.....Greensboro'.
1865. Rev. Colin Shaw.....Fayetteville.
1866. Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D.D,.....Charlotte.
1867. Rev. Archibald Currie.....Newbern.
1868. Rev. D. D. McBryde.....Wilmington.
1869. Rev. Jesse Rankin..... .Morganton.

Stated Clerks of the Synod of North Carolina.

1813. Rev. Robert H. Chapman.
1818. Rev. Colin McIver.
1849. Rev. Drury Lacy.
1855. Rev. Archibald Baker.
1859. Rev. Jacob Doll.

Union Theological Seminary.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN NORTH CAROLINA.

FIRST CLASS TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

Rev. F. H. Johnston. — Mr. P. Murphy, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. J. M. Atkinson. — To go out in 1873.

SECOND CLASS TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

Rev. J. H. Smith. — Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. J. M. Sherwood. — To go out in 1872.

THIRD CLASS TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

Rev. J. P. McPherson. — Dr. N. M. Roan, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. Edward Hines. — To go out in 1871.

FOURTH CLASS TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

Rev. S. A. Stanfield. — Mr. A. T. Summey, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. J. Rumple. — To go out in 1870.

Trustees of Synod.

Col. Thomas A. Allison.....Statesville, N. C.
Mr. D. A. Davis.....Salisbury, N. C.
Mr. William F. Cowan.....Statesville, N. C.
Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay.....Greensboro', N. C.

Agents of Synod.

Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Agent of Foreign Missions.
Rev. J. M. Sherwood, Agent of Sustentation.
Rev. Neill McKay, D.D., Agent of Education.
Rev. J. Henry Smith, Agent of Publication and Colportage.

Treasurer of Synod.

Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, Greensboro', N. C.

DOCKET

OF THE FIFTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA,

To be held in Raleigh, N. C., October 5th, 1870.

1. Prayer.
2. Roll called.
3. Moderator chosen.
4. Temporary Clerks chosen.
5. Minutes read.
6. Absentees from the last meeting of Synod.

FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.—Rev. Messrs. G. W. Ferrill, Drury Lacy, D.D., C. N. Morrow, C. Phillips, D.D., C. H. Wiley, W. B. Tidball, H. B. Pratt and D. T. Towles.

FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.—Rev. Messrs. R. H. Morrison, D.D., A. D. Montgomery, Daniel Lindley, J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, T. P. Johnston, Thomas E. Davis, S. C. Millen, G. D. Parks, Robert Bradley, R. B. Anderson.

FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.—Rev. Messrs. H. McNeill, A. McMillan, H. McAlister, D. D. McBryde, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen, J. H. Coble and D. Fairley.

FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.—Rev. Messrs. D. B. Black, H. A. Munroe, C. Shaw, N. Z. Graves, J. M. Sprunt, B. F. Marable and James Kelly.

7. Read the statistical reports of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg Presbyteries.
8. Read the narrative of Orange Presbytery on the state of religion.
9. Read the narrative of Concord Presbytery on the state of religion.
10. Read the narrative of Fayetteville Presbytery on the state of religion.
11. Read the narrative of Wilmington Presbytery on the state of religion.
12. Read the narrative of Mecklenburg Presbytery on the state of religion.
13. Appoint the following standing committees:
    1. On Bills and Overtures.
    2. Judicial Committee.
    3. On the Minutes of Orange Presbytery.
    4. On the Minutes of Concord Presbytery.
    5. On the Minutes of Fayetteville Presbytery.

6. On the Minutes of Wilmington Presbytery.

7. On the Minutes of Mecklenburg Presbytery.

8. To prepare an address to the Churches on the state of religion within the bounds of the Synod.

9. On devotional exercises.

10. On the Treasurer's account.

11. On the Minutes of the General Assembly.

12. On Union Theological Seminary.

13. On the report of the Trustees of Synod.

14. On leave of absence.

14. Read the report of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

15. The term of office of the fourth class of Directors of Union Theological Seminary expires at this meeting of Synod, viz: Rev. S. A. Stanfield, Rev. J. Rumple and Mr. A. T. Summey, Ruling-Elder.

16. Absentees at the calling of the roll at the close of the last session of Synod at Morganton. [See Minutes of last session.]

17. Read the report of Orange Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

18. Read the report of Concord Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

19. Read the report of Fayetteville Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

20. Read the report of Wilmington Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

21. Read the report of Mecklenburg Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

22. Report on the life and labors of Rev. Robert Tate. Rev. J. M. Sprunt and Rev. C. Shaw committee, appointed in 1867.

23. Report on the life and labors of Rev. Alex'r Wilson, D.D. Rev. C. Phillips, D.D., Rev. A. G. Hughes and Mr. Thomas Sparrow, Ruling-Elder, committee, appointed in 1867.

24. Report on the life and labors of Rev. Daniel Johnson. Rev. J. H. Coble, Rev. M. McNair and A. Baker, Ruling-Elder, committee, appointed in 1868.

25. Report on the life and labors of Rev. Thomas Lynch.

Rev. A. Currie, Rev. F. H. Johnston and Mr. T. B. Donnell, Ruling-Elder, committee, appointed in 1869.

26. Report of the Trustees of Synod.

27. Report of the Treasurer of the Synod.

28. Report of the Agent of Sustentation, Rev. J. M. Sherwood.

29. Report of the Agent of Education, Rev. N. McKay, D.D.

30. Report of the Agent of Foreign Missions, Rev. R. Z. Johnston.

31. Report of the Agent of Publication and Colportage, Rev. J. H. Smith.

32. Shall the Minutes of Synod be printed and how many copies?

33. Statistical report of the Synod to the General Assembly.

34. Time and place of the next meeting of Synod.

35. Call the roll at the close of the session.

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-SEVENTH SESSION

OF THE

SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA,

HELD AT

Raleigh, 1870.

FAYETTEVILLE:
N. C. PRESBYTERIAN OFFICE.
1871.

THE FLOWERS COLLECTION

MINUTES.

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 5, 1870.

The Synod of North Carolina met according to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by Rev. Jesse Rankin, Moderator, from 1 Tim. 4th ch., 16th v.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer.

The roll of ministers and churches was called, and the following members were found to be present:

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—Jacob Doll, A. G. Hughes, A. Currie, S. A. Stanfield, Thomas U. Faucette, Joseph M. Atkinson, P. H. Dalton, J. Henry Smith, F. H. Johnston, D. E. Jordan, Drury Lacy, D.D., James C. Alexander and L. C. Vass.

Ruling-Elders—Dr. J. A. McLean, A. M. McPheeters, J. A. Womack, Malcom Shaw and Dr. John R. Hicks.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—Jesse Rankin, Thomas N. Paxton, Geo. M. Gibbs, S. C. Pharr, D.D., and Wm. A. Wood.

Ruling-Elders—L. C. Kirkpatrick, R. L. Beall, Thos. Brown, N. F. Hall, E. B. Stinson and J. R. B. Adams.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—J. P. McPherson, Neill McKay, D.D., A. McMillan, J. M. Sherwood, Martin McQueen and A. N. Ferguson.

Ruling-Elders—Malcom McNeill, W. B. Wright and William B. Harrington.

PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

Ministers—H. A. Munroe, S. C. Alexander, H. L. Singleton, S. H. Isler, James Kelly, L. McKinnon and N. Z. Graves.

Ruling-Elders—E. W. Kerr, J. D. Currie, W. J. Cromartie and S. Northrop.

PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

Ministers—John Douglas, Walter W. Pharr, T. E.

Davis, J. C. Williams, R. Z. Johnston, H. H. Banks and J. J. Kennedy.

Ruling-Elders—A. G. Neal, Wm. Caldwell, John Walker and A. T. Summey.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—Geo. W. Ferrill, Edward Hines, C. N. Morrow, C. Phillips, D.D., C. H. Wiley, W. B. Tidball, H. B. Pratt and J. M. M. Caldwell.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—Daniel Lindley, Thomas P. Johnston, G. W. McPhail, D.D., E. F. Rockwell, S. C. Millen, B. L. Beall, J. Rumple, D. A. Penick, William W. Pharr, E. H. Harding, Robert Bradley and R. H. Caldwell.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—Hector McLean, Hector McNeill, Hector McAlister, D. D. McBryde, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, A McQueen, John H. Coble, H. G. Hill, David Fairley, Malcom McNair and K. M. McIntyre.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

Ministers—D. B. Black, C. Shaw, J. M. Sprunt, B. F. Marable, H. B. Burr and A. McFadyen.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

Ministers—R. H. Morrison, D.D., Robert Burwell, J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, N. Shotwell, W. N. Morrison, R. H. Chapman, D.D., Wm. Graves, J. F. W. Freeman, R. N. Davis, Jacob Hood, A. W. Miller, D.D., G. D. Parks, J. S. Barr, R. B. Anderson and William McDonald.

Rev. S. A. Stanfield was elected Moderator, and Rev. F. H. Johnston, with Ruling Elder A. T. Summey, Temporary Clerks.

On motion, Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING, Oct. 6, 1870.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

The following members appeared in Synod, and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, viz:

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE—*Ruling-Elders.*—R. Gorrell, Thomas Webb, William Bingham, W. J. Murray, Richard Seawell and J. L. Woods.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD—*Ministers.*—G. W. McPhail, D.D., J. Rumple, E. H. Harding, D. A. Penick, R. H. Caldwell, Robert Bradley and E. F. Rockwell. *Ruling-Elder*—William Murdoch.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE—*Minister.*—H. G. Hill.

PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG—*Ministers*—A. W. Miller, D. D., and G. D. Parks. *Ruling-Elders*—E. Nye Hutchison, A. B. Davidson, J. M. Caldwell.

The following ministers rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of Synod: D. Lacy, D.D., Thomas E. Davis, G. D. Parks, Robert Bradley, A. McMillan, H. A. Munroe, N. Z. Graves and James Kelly.

Rev. William A. Hall, of the Synod of Memphis, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Letters were read from Rev. Messrs. J. S. Barr, B. L. Beall, Robert Burwell and William W. Pharr, rendering satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting.

The statistical reports from the Presbyteries were read and received. They are as follows:

THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 21 ministers, and have under their care 51 churches, 2 licentiates and 10 candidates; that on the 8th day of March, 1870, they dissolved the pastoral relation between the Rev. D. E. Jordan and the Madison church; that on the 13th day of April, 1870, they received under their care, by certificate, Mr. William C. Smith, a licentiate from the Presbytery of South Carolina; that on the 14th day of April, 1870, they dismissed, at his own request, Mr. Alexander Kirkland, a licentiate, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Wilmington; that on the 17th day of April, 1870, they installed Rev. D. E. Jordan, pastor of the church of Oxford; that on the 14th day of April, 1870, they dismissed, at his own request, Rev. Daniel T. Towles, to connect himself with the Presbytery of Holston; that on the 15th day of April, 1870, they erased from the roll, the name of Snow Creek church; that on the 5th day of September, 1870, they held a centenary celebration at Hawfield's church, Alamance Co., N. C., it being on that day exactly one hundred years since the Presbytery of Orange was organ-

ized at the Hawfield's church; and that their next stated meeting will be held at Bethesda church, Caswell Co., N. C., on the Wednesday before the second Sabbath in April, 1871, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Respectfully submitted.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 5, 1870.

THE PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

The Presbytery of Concord respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that as now constituted, they consist of 17 ministers, and have under their care 32 churches, 1 licentiate and 8 candidates; that on the 20th day of November 1869, they installed Rev. William A. Wood, pastor over Fourth Creek church; that on the 8th day of January, 1870, they lost by death, Rev. D. A. Penick, Sr., pastor of Rocky River church, leaving it vacant; that on the 28th day of February, 1870, they lost by death, Rev. William C. Sheetz, leaving the church of Morganton vacant, and that on the 21st day of April, 1870, they lost by death, the Rev. A. D. Montgomery.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM W. PHARR, Stated Clerk.

Taylorsville, N. C., Sept. 9, 1870.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that at present they consist of 18 ministers, and have under their care 45 churches and 11 candidates for the ministry; that on the 5th day of January, 1870, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. Neill McKay, D.D., and Buffalo church, and declared said church vacant; that on the same day they dismissed, at his own request, Rev. J. H. Colton, to connect himself with the Indian Presbytery; that on the 9th day of April, 1870, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. A. N. Ferguson and Ben-Salem church, and declared said church vacant; that on the same day they received on probation, subject to the order of Synod, Rev. Joseph Evans, from the Presbytery of Quebec, Canada; that on the 7th day of May, 1870, they installed Rev. Arch'd McQueen, pastor of Ashpole church, and that on the —— day of ——, 1870, they organized a church in Rockingham, Richmond county, N. C.

Respectfully submitted, by order of Presbytery.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Buffalo ch., N. C., Sep. 17, 1870.

PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

The Presbytery of Wilmington would report to the Synod of North Carolina, that, at present, they consist of 14 Ministers, and have under their care 25 Churches, 2 Licentiates, and 4 Candidates; that on the 14th day of April, 1870, they received Rev. H. B. Burr on a letter of dismission from the Presbytery of Baltimore; that on the same day, Mr. S. H. Bell, a candidate for the Gospel Ministry, under the care of Concord Presbytery, was transferred to this Presbytery; that on the 16th day of April, 1870, they ordained Mr. A. McFadyen, a licentiate under the care of this Presbytery, to the full work of the Gospel Ministry as an Evangelist; that on the 1st day of October, 1870, Mr. G. W. McMillan, a candidate under the care of Concord Presbytery, was transferred to this Presbytery; that on the 1st day of October, 1870, Mr. Alex'r Kirkland, a licentiate under the care of the Presbytery of Orange, was received, on a letter of dismis-

sion, under the care of this Presbytery, and that on the 5th day of October, 1870, they ordained Mr. Alexander Kirkland to the full work of the Gospel Ministry as an Evangelist.

Respectfully submitted.

L. McKINNON, Stated Clerk.

October 5, 1870.

THE PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

To the Synod of North Carolina the Presbytery of Mecklenburg reports:

1. That they consist of 23 ministers and 39 churches, and have under their care 5 candidates.

2. That 11 of their ministers are pastors, 5 are stated supplies, 1 is a missionary, 3 are teachers and 3 are without charge.

3. That they dissolved the pastoral relation between the Rev. R. Z. Johnston and the church of Providence, (half his time) on the 22d April, 1870, and declared said church vacant.

4. That they received from the Presbytery of Bethel, Union church, in Gaston Co., N. C., on the 23d day of April, 1870.

5. That 9 of their churches are vacant, viz: Providence, Wadesboro', Goshen, Machpelah, Bethel, Franklin, Hiwassee, Beulah and Flat Creek; 15 have pastors and 16 are partially supplied.

Respectfully submitted.

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk.

Oct. 1870.

The narratives from the several Presbyteries were read and referred to the standing committee appointed to prepare an address to the churches on the state of religion.

The reports on Systematic Benevolence from the several Presbyteries, except Concord Presbytery, were read, ordered to be filed and printed in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

The Moderator announced the following standing committees, viz:

1. On Bills and Overtures.—*Ministers:* Jesse Rankin, Neill McKay, D.D. John M. Sherwood. *Ruling-Elders:* Dr. John R. Hicks and Dr. R. L. Beall.

2. Judicial Committee.—*Ministers:* J. Henry Smith, Walter W. Pharr and Thomas N. Paxton. *Ruling-Elders:* W. B. Harrington and Malcom Shaw.

3. On the Records of Orange Presbytery.—*Ministers:* Hugh A. Munroe and Martin McQueen. *Ruling-Elder:* William B. Wright.

4. On the Records of Concord Presbytery.—*Ministers:* L. McKinnon and S. H. Isler. *Ruling-Elder:* John A. Womack.

5. On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery.—*Ministers:* Samuel C. Pharr, D.D., and George M. Gibbs. *Ruling-Elder:*—L. C. Kirkpatrick.

6. On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery.—*Ministers:* D. E. Jordan and William A. Wood, *Ruling-Elder:* Dr. J. A. McLean.

7. On the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery.—*Ministers:* P. H. Dalton and L. C. Vass. *Ruling-Elder:* William Bingham.

8. To prepare an Address to the Churches on the state of Religion within the bounds of the Synod.—*Ministers:* R. Z. Johnston and John Douglas. *Ruling-Elder:* Dr. J. R. B. Adams.

9. On Devotional Exercises.—*Ministers:* Jos. M. Atkinson and S. C. Alexander. *Ruling-Elder:* A. M. McPheeters.

10. On the Treasurer's Account.—*Minister:* H. L. Singleton. *Ruling-Elders:* Wm. Murdoch and S. Northrop.

11. On the Minutes of the General Assembly.—*Ministers:* J. C Williams and Tho. U. Faucette. *Ruling-Elder:* Thomas Webb.

12. On Union Theological Seminary.—*Ministers:* A. Currie and J. Rumple. *Ruling-Elder:* Dr. E. Nye Hutchison.

13. On the Report of the Trustees of Synod.—*Ministers:* J. C. Alexander and E. F. Rockwell. *Ruling-Elder:* Ralph Gorrell.

14. On Leave of Absence.—*Ministers:* Jas. P. McPherson and R. H. Caldwell. *Ruling-Elder:* John Walker.

The annual report of the Board of Directors and Trustees of Union Theological Seminary was read and referred to the standing committee on the Seminary.

On motion, the nomination of Directors to fill vacancies in the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary was referred to the committee on the Seminary.

A paper from Fayetteville Presbytery in relation to Rev. Joseph Evans, a foreign minister, was read and referred to a special committee consisting of Rev. J. Henry Smith and E. H. Harding, with John Walker, Ruling-Elder.

Mr. William Bingham, Ruling-Elder, was excused for absence without leave at the calling of the roll at the close of the last session of the Synod at Morganton.

Rev. Messrs. Rumple and Harding, with Ruling-Elder William Murdoch, were appointed to prepare a notice of the life and labors of Rev. A. D. Montgomery.

Rev. Jesse Rankin and Dr. A. W. Miller, with Ruling-Elder L. C. Kirkpatrick, were appointed to prepare a Minute in reference to the life and labors of Rev. Daniel A. Penick, Sr.

Rev. Messrs. H. H. Banks and D. A. Penick, with Ruling-Elder A. T. Summey, were appointed to prepare a minute on the life and labors of Rev. William C. Sheetz.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was read and referred to the committee on the Treasurer's account.

The report of the Agent of Sustentation was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning.

The report of the Agent of Education was made the second order of the day for to-morrow.

The report of the Agent of Foreign Missions was made the order of the day for Saturday at 10 o'clock.

The report of the Agent of Publication and Colportage was made the first order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

The Synod received an invitation from the Superintendent of the Insane Asylum to visit that Institution. It was resolved that the Synod acknowledges the courtesy of the Superintendent, and instructs Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson to say that it accepts the invitation, and will, if consistent with the business of the Synod, visit the Institution.

The following standing rule was adopted:

Resolved, That it be a standing rule of this Synod that hereafter any committee of Synod, appointed for the discharge of a specific duty, failing to report at the time specified, or assign sufficient excuse for said neglect in writing, shall be regarded as dissolved by said failure to report, with the censure of Synod.

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the Minutes of the present meeting of Synod be published.

Fayetteville, N. C., was chosen as the place, and Wednesday, the 11th day of October, 1871, at 7½ p. m., as the time for the next meeting of Synod.

Certain papers in relation to the travelling expenses of Mr. P. Murphy, as a Director of Union Theological Seminary, were read.

On motion, these papers were referred back to Wilmington Presbytery, with the standing rule of Synod in relation to the matter referred to.

A communication from Dr. Baird, Secretary of the Assembly's Committee of Publication, was read and referred to the Synodical Agent of Publication.

In the absence of Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, Treasurer of Synod, Mr. Ralph Gorrell, Ruling-Elder, was appointed Treasurer *pro tem.*

The Committee on the Records of Wilmington Presbytery made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee on the Minutes of the Wilmington Presbytery report that they have examined the same and find them kept with much neatness, and recommend their approval, with the exception that on page 78 it is recorded that the Presbytery appointed a committee to organize a church at Kinston, if the way be clear; thus authorizing their committee to decide whether the way was clear for them to organize a church in the bounds of another Presbytery.

On motion, Synod then took recess until 4 o'clock, p. m.

After recess, Synod met and resumed business.

The committee appointed to prepare a notice of the life and labors of Rev. Thomas Lynch made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

Rev. Thomas Lynch was born in Orange county, N. C., January 15, 1794. He spent the first years of his life in his father's family. At the age of 17 he became hopefully pious under the ministry of Rev. William D. Paisley, at Cross Roads church. He commenced studying with a view to preaching the Gospel when he was 23 years of age, in the school of Rev. William Bingham. After some time spent in literary studies, he read Theology with Rev. John Witherspoon, D.D., and was licensed to preach by Orange Presbytery, in 1825, at Washington, N. C., and ordained to the work of an Evangelist, in Hillsboro', N. C., in 1827.

He commenced his labors as an Evangelist in Robeson Co., N. C., and in Marlboro' District in S. C., but removed with Mrs. Bingham, whose daughter he married, in 1827 to Tennessee, where he labored about three years. He organized a church at Paris, and presided at the organization of the Presbytery of the Western District. Returning to North Carolina, he continued to preach to different churches in Orange and Alamance, until his death in June 1869.

He was a zealous preacher, laborious and self-denying, making it his direct object to bring sinners to repentance. And now that he has ceased from his labors, we have reason to believe that he has those who, being saved by his instrumentality, shall be as stars in his crown of rejoicing.

An overture from the Presbytery of Wilmington was read and referred to the Committee of Bills and Overtures.

A paper in relation to a change of the boundary line between the Presbyteries of Orange and Wilmington was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Committee on the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery made a report which was accepted.

The exception which the committee reported was put on the docket.

The Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING, Oct 7, 1870.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. R. N. Davis and Rev. William McDonald, of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg, Rev. D. D. McBryde, of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, J. W. Kerr and P. Murphy, Ruling-Elders from the Presbytery of Wilmington, appeared in the Synod and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Rev. B. M. Smith, D.D., Professor in Union Theological Seminary, and member of the Synod of Virginia, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Papers containing a correspondence between Mr. Kingsland, of the "North Carolina Land Agency," and Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson, were presented, read and referred to a special committee consisting of Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson and Rev. J. Henry Smith, to report to the present meeting.

Letters were received from Rev. C. Phillips, D.D., and Rev. Hector McLean, giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting of Synod.

A communication from a minority of the congregation of the Brown Marsh Church, Presbytery of Wilmington, was referred to the Judicial Committee.

The first order of the day was taken up, and the Synod heard the report of the Agent of Sustentation.

The report was received, and the resolutions adopted. The resolutions appended to the report are as follows:

Resolved, 1. That the Synod expresses its gratification at the interest manifested in the cause of sustentation among our people, especially in the recent efforts made to secure and support Evangelists in several of the Presbyteries.

Resolved, 2. That this whole subject be again commended to the attention of the Presbyteries, and that they be urged to renewed efforts to bring up our people to the full measure of duty in their contributions, that we may have wherewith to supply our own destitutions, and contribute liberally to send the Gospel into the wide wastes existing throughout the bounds of our beloved church.

The report of the Agent of Education was read and received, and the recommendation to the churches to observe the fourth Thursday of February, as a day of special prayer, was adopted.

The recommendation is as follows:

"Your Agent suggests that Synod call the attention of all our people and churches to the action of the late Assembly on the subject of Education, especially to the observance of the annual concert of prayer on the fourth Thursday of February, in behalf of our youth and for the increase of efficient laborers in the Master's vineyard."

Rev. B. M. Smith, D.D., by invitation, addressed the Synod on the subject of education.

The committee appointed to review the records of Concord Presbytery reported that they had examined the same, and recommend their approval, as far as written. This report was adopted.

The report of the committee on the records of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg was taken up. This report was adopted, and is as follows:

The committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg beg leave to report that they have examined the same and recommend their approval as far as written, with the following exception:

On page 56 we find the following resolution:—

"The Presbytery of Mecklenburg, recently organized, deems it proper to define its status in relation to the Theological Seminaries of our Southern church, which is one of neutrality, not bound to either, free to sustain both."

The committee are of opinion that the Presbytery should not, without the consent of Synod, have passed such a resolution in view of their obligations and agreement as a part of the Synod of North Carolina to support Union Theological Seminary, under the care of the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia.

On motion, the Synod took recess until 4 o'clock, p. m.

After recess the Synod met and resumed business.

Rev. D. A. Penick and Dr. J. A. McLean, Ruling-Elder, were added to the committee on leave of absence.

Notice was given by the Rev. A. W. Miller, D.D., that complaint against the action of the Synod, in relation to the Minutes of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg, would be made to the General Assembly.

The committee on the Treasurer's account made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's account report that they find the receipts and disbursements accurately stated and accompanied with the proper vouchers. There is a balance due to the Treasurer of $13 34, arising in part from the failure of Concord Presbytery to pay its assessment of $75 for 1870.

Your committee recommend that Concord Presbytery be hereby enjoined to pay its assessment at the earliest practical moment.

The following assessment for 1871 is recommended:

Orange Presbytery,		$65 00.
Concord	do.,	37 50.
Fayetteville	do.,	40 00.
Wilmington	do.,	25 00.
Mecklenburg	do.,	37 50.

The committee appointed to examine the records of Fayetteville Presbytery reported that they had examined these records, and recommend their approval, as far as written. This report was adopted.

The committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made the following report, which was accepted and adopted.

The committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly would respectfully report, that having examined the same, find nothing which in their judgment demands the especial action of this Synod.

The committee appointed to prepare a notice of the life and labors of Rev. A. D. Montgomery made the following report, which was accepted and approved:

The Synod of North Carolina would again acknowledge the hand of God in the removal of the Rev. Archibald D. Montgomery from the labors of earth to the rest and refreshment of heaven.

The Great Master above, who is ever to be worshipped and adored, has called another workman from the outer to the inner courts, and revealed to him the secret of eternal glory, and we who still linger here bow with Christian submission to the hand that takes the fathers of Israel and the horsemen thereof from our sight.

In this memorial we would record that Mr. Montgomery was born about 1791, in Caswell county, N. C. His theological studies were pursued under the direction of the Rev. John Witherspoon, D.D.

He was licensed by the Presbytery of Orange in 1821, began preaching at the Hawfields church, and for several years labored with acceptance and success in Danville and Red House churches; in Halifax Co., Va.; Lexington, N. C.; Long Cane and Newberry, S. C., and for a little while in Washington, Georgia. Many precious revivals were enjoyed under his ministry. He was an earnest preacher; was often melted to tears as he warned sinners to flee the wrath to come. He was particularly gifted in prayer and exhortation, and was full of animation and

earnestness in the great work. Compelled at length by increasing infirmities to retire from the active labors of the Ministry, he and his faithful companion returned to the homes of their children in Salisbury and Lexington. In the latter place, about one year after the departure of the wife of his youth, this venerable servant of God slept in Jesus on the 21st of April, 1870. His remains were interred in the English graveyard in Salisbury, beside the grave of his wife.

The committee on Union Theological Seminary made a report, which was accepted, amended, adopted and is as follows:

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Trustees and Directors of Union Theological Seminary having examined the papers placed in their hands, respectfully report:

1. That they find cause for thankfulness to the Great Head of the church, in the gratifying evidences of life and prosperity exhibited in the Seminary during the past year, and recommend that Synod heartily approve the action of the Board of Trustees.

2. That the attention of our churches and Christian people be especially called to the importance of furnishing the rooms of the Seminary, as recommended by the Trustees.

3. That Synod earnestly recommend, as a means of increasing the efficiency of the Seminary, and wisely and permanently aiding the educational interests of the church, the completing of the scholarships already commenced, and the endowment of others.

4. For filling the vacancies in the Board of Trustees, which occur at this time, the committee recommend that the Rev. L. McKinnon be elected in place of Rev. S. A. Stanfield, and that the other members whose term of office expires at this time be re-elected.

Your committee also recommend that Dr. R. L. Beall be elected in place of Dr. N. M. Roan, whose office is vacated by his failing to comply with the requisition of Synod.

Resolved, That Synod acknowledges the hand of God in the removal, by death, during the past year, of Rev. S. B. Wilson, D.D., and whilst we mourn his loss, we would record with gratitude our sense of the goodness of God, in giving and sparing so long to the Seminary and the church an instructor so faithful and competent.

The committee on the Records of Orange Presbytery reported that they had reviewed these records, and recommend their approval, as far as written.

This report was adopted.

Mr. D. M. McIntosh, Ruling-Elder from the Presbytery of Fayetteville, appeared in the Synod, and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Rev. Lewis K. Wiley, of the N. C. M. E. Conference,

being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The Stated Clerk made the following statistical report of the Synod to the General Assembly, which was accepted and adopted:

REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CURCH IN THE U. STATES.

The Synod of North Carolina reports to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States, that it consists of five Presbyteries, and that these Presbyteries consist in whole of ninety-three Ministers, having under their care one hundred and ninety-two Churches, five Licentiates, and thirty-eight Candidates, viz:

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.
Orange,	21	51	2	10
Concord,	17	32	1	8
Fayetteville,	18	45	0	11
Wilmington,	14	25	2	4
Mecklenburg,	23	39	0	5
Total,	93	192	5	38

The Synod further reports, that its next meeting will be held in Fayetteville, N. C., on the 11th day of October, 1871, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the excuses of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary for non-attendance on any meeting of the Board be rendered to the Synod.

The committee appointed to prepare an address to the churches on the state of religion within the bounds of the Synod, made a report, which was adopted.

It was ordered that this address be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes, and in the "North Carolina Presbyterian."

The Agent of Publication and Colportage made his report, which was received, and the resolutions appended to the report were adopted.

The resolutions are as follows:

Resolved, 1. That the Synod recommends to the Presbyteries to take such steps as will best secure a speedy completion of the capital sum.

Resolved, 2. That Synod urges our Ministers and our people to patronize, as liberally as they can, in supplying their own needs and those of their families and Sabbath schools, our own publishing house in Richmond, Virginia.

Resolved, 3. That the Synod recommends our people to avail themselves of the offers of this committee for gratuitous grants of tracts, &c., to circulate throughout our various communities.

Resolved, 4. That the Synod urgently presses on all our ministers and people to make special and speedy efforts for our Sabbath school paper, "The Children's Friend," and for our new weekly journal, entitled "The Earnest Worker in the Sabbath School and in the Family."

The committee on Bills and Overtures made a report on overture No. 1, relative to the proposed change of the boundary line between the Presbyteries of Orange and Wilmington, which was accepted.

On motion, this report was laid on the table for the present.

The committee on Bills and Overtures reported on overture No. 2, from the Presbytery of Wilmington, asking the Synod "to establish and declare the line dividing the Orange and Wilmington Presbyteries," and recommended that the Stated Clerk be directed to furnish the Presbytery of Wilmington with the desired information respecting said boundary line.

This report was adopted.

The committee on devotional exercises made a report, which was approved.

The Synod then adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING, October 8, 1870.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. J. Leighton Wilson, D.D., of the Synod of South Carolina, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The Judicial Committee made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The Judicial Committee would report the following, in reference to the matter of the Brown Marsh congregation.

The subject comes up to the Synod in the form of a complaint, by Mr. D. N. Buie, against the Presbytery of Wilmington, for refusing to divide the congregation of Brown Marsh, to-wit: By organizing a new church at the new house of worship, and perpetuating the old organization at the old house of worship, which is a little over two miles from the new one.

The Presbytery of Wilmington, after hearing all the facts, declined to favor the application for division, and urged the parties to peace and harmony.

There is irregularity in the manner in which this matter is brought before the Synod. All the facts are not strictly before the Synod in committee; the Presbytery complained of has not had the proper or usual notice; that this complaint would be made at this Synod, and therefore your committee report, recommending that the papers be returned to the complainant with the assurance however, that the Synod does not mean to decide this case against him, but that whenever the matter comes up regularly, it will be fully and fairly acted upon.

The committee however, further, from all the facts before the committee, and from conversations with members of Wilmington Presbytery, recommends to the Synod to urge all the brethren of Brown Marsh, to do as the Presbytery of Wilmington has recommended.

We beg all the brethren in this difficulty, to study the things that make for peace, and in the spirit of love and forbearance, seek for the unity and harmony of the congregation of Brown Marsh.

On motion, it was resolved that Rev. J. Leighton Wilson, D.D., be invited to address the Synod in relation to the Assembly's proposed Relief Fund, to-day at 11 o'clock, A. M.

The committee appointed to prepare a notice of the life and labors of Rev. Daniel A. Penick, Sr., made a report which was accepted and approved.

The committee appointed to prepare a minute, expressive of the feelings of Synod in reference to the death of Rev. Daniel A. Penick, Sr., would respectfully report the following:

This beloved brother was with us at our last meeting, and then in attendance under the impression that it was the last meeting of Synod he would ever live to attend. His apprehensions of approaching dissolution were realized unexpectedly soon. He died on the 8th of January, 1870. A breach is thus made in our body, which is painfully felt by us all, while we would bow with submission to the divine will thus manifested. He was spared to furnish the example of a long life of arduous, faithful and effective labor. His regular ministrations were confined to three localities. First, in Powhatan county, Virginia, for about three years. Second, in Milton, N. C., for about eight years. Third, in Rocky River, Cabarrus county, N. C., for about thirty-four years.

In each of these places, his labors were blessed with revivals of religion, and in the last place, with four distinct revivals. He was an instructive, earnest and impressive preacher; a diligent and effective pastor; a wise, courteous and influential member of the judicatories, and in all respects, an exemplary man.

While we feel the bereavement incident to his death, it is pleasant to feel undiminished assurance of his eternal well being.

Resolved, 1. That we tender our sympathies to his bereaved family, and to the congregation deprived of a faithful and laborious pastor.

Resolved, 2. That a copy of this minute be sent, by the Stated Clerk, to his

family, and another to the congregation of Rocky River, to be read from the pulpit, on the first suitable occasion.

The Agent of Foreign Missions read his annual report, which was received, and the following resolutions appended to the report were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That the Synod of North Carolina is devoutly thankful to God for the little He has enabled and disposed our churches to do for this cause, and most tenderly commends it to the liberal support of every one who loves the Saviour, and prays for the coming of his kingdom, confident this object is worthy of the benefactions of the people, and that God will reward the cheerful giver.

Resolved, 2. That this Synod will labor to raise its share of the funds needed by the Assembly's committee to carry on the work.

Resolved, 3. That the Synod is grateful, in that another one of its ministers, Rev. J. H. Colton, has since we last met as a Synod, been honored with a Mission in the Choctaw Nation; that his health has been preserved, and for all the service he has done in this great work.

Resolved, 4. That all of our brethren are exhorted to pray for our Missionaries, that God would protect them from sudden violence and cruel treatment, and especially for our brethren in China, who are more particularly exposed at this time.

Resolved, 5. That Synod endorses the recommendations of the Presbyteries, and the efforts of some churches in regard to training children in Sabbath schools, to contribute to this cause.

Resolved, 6. That the Presbyteries are directed to forward the reports of their Agents of Foreign Missions to the Synod's Agent, before the annual meeting of Synod.

By invitation, Rev. J. Leighton Wilson, D.D., addressed the Synod on the subject of Foreign Missions.

Letters were received from Rev. Edward Hines and Rev. R. H. Chapman, D.D., giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting.

Mr. J. C. McMillan, Ruling-Elder from the Presbytery of Wilmington, appeared in the Synod and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, Rev. Dr. Wilson addressed the Synod, on the subject of the Assembly's Relief Fund.

The following paper on Sabbath schools was adopted:

The Synod of North Carolina, in view of the increased interest in Sabbath schools and of the recommendation of the General Assembly, would hereby declare its full sympathy with this revived and increasing interest, and would commend this subject to the prayers and zealous efforts of all our people.

That in order to have this important matter occupy its due place in the mind and heart of this Synod, the Synod resolves to appoint, at this meeting, an Agent,

as in the case of Sustentation, Foreign Missions, Publication and Education, to present annually before the Synod, as full a report as possible, of the condition and growth and prospects of the Sabbath school cause.

That we commend this subject to the hearts of our people, and recommend and urge that the papers published by our committee in Richmond, "The Children's Friend" and "Earnest Worker," be much more widely circulated among our people.

Rev. L. C. Vass was appointed Synodical Agent of Sabbath schools.

Rev. Mr. Smith, of the Baptist church being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member of the Synod.

The committee appointed to prepare a notice of the life and labors of Rev. William C. Sheetz, made the following report, which was received and approved:

The committee appointed to prepare a minute relative to the life and labors of Rev. William C. Sheetz, respectfully report:

This Synod notes, with profound sadness, that one "with whom we have often taken sweet counsel and walked to the house of God in company," is missing from our ecclesiastical courts to-day.

The Rev. William Conrad Sheetz, was born in Charlestown, Virginia; was graduated at Jefferson College, Pa.; pursued his Theological course at Union Seminary, in the State of Virginia. The earlier years of his ministry were spent in shepherding Christ's flock within the bounds of the church of Little Washington, Va. Subsequently he accepted a call to the church of Morganton, within the bounds of Concord Presbytery in this State, where for more than eighteen years, he lived and labored in the service of his Divine Master, and where he calmly fell asleep in Jesus on the 28th day of February, 1870.

During the latter years of his life he was the victim of chronic asthmatic disease. His days were days of weariness and pain, and his nights were spent in restless wakefulness. But with uncomplaining submission he bore the strokes of his heavenly Father's afflicting rod, and patiently waited the Master's summons to that blessed land "the inhabitant whereof shall no more say I am sick."

In connection with the last annual sessions of this body in Morganton, this Synod remembers with melancholy pleasure the Christian courtesy and hospitality of our departed brother.

Commending the bereaved widow and family to the care of a covenant keeping God, we bow with resignation to the Divine will which has bereft us of a brother beloved, and we pray that we may "be also ready" when the Son of Man shall come, to join him in the General Assembly and church of the first born in heaven.

The committee appointed to report on the paper from the Presbytery of Fayetteville, in relation to Rev. Joseph Evans, a foreign minister, made the following report, which was received and adopted:

The committee appointed to report on a paper of Fayetteville Presbytery, relative to the proceedings in the case of Rev. Joseph Evans, a foreign minister,

beg leave respectfully to report, that the action of said Presbytery in the premises is entirely satisfactory, and recommend that Synod give its approval and order the Stated Clerk of Fayetteville Presbytery to enroll his name among its members.

Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson, from the special committee on the correspondence between himself and Mr R. Kingsland, in reference to immigration from Scotland to this State, made a report which was accepted.

This report consists of a letter to R. Kingsland, Esq., from Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson, respecting the subject just referred to, and is as follows:

RALEIGH, N. C., October 8th, 1870.

R. KINGSLAND, ESQ.

My dear Sir: In response to your inquiry touching the religious provision for immigrants to North Carolina, and the religious privileges which they may reckon upon when they reach the State, permit me to submit the subjoined statement:

The principal protestant churches, as the Episcopal; the Methodist, in both its branches—Methodist Episcopal and Protestant; the Baptist in its several varieties; the Lutheran, and the Presbyterian, are all represented amongst us; and most if not all of them are now in a flourishing condition, and have every prospect of growth. Our people are characteristically a religious people, but with greater diversity of religious sentiment and doctrine as compared with the people of Scotland.

The Presbyterian church, with which of course I am most familiar, has long been a leading denomination in the State.

The Synod, which is now holding its sessions in this city, is composed of five Presbyteries, numbering nearly if not quite a hundred Ministers of the Gospel, and more than thirty candidates in the various stages of training for the Ministry. The more advanced pursuing their studies in the Theological Seminaries and the younger in the more elementary schools of instruction.

The Synod of North Carolina, within its bounds, embraces about fifteen thousand communicants. The Counties of Cumberland, of Orange, of Alamance, of Guilford, of Mecklenburg, of Iredell, and of Cabarrus, are made up almost entirely of Presbyterians.

The western portion of the State, in which Presbyterianism largely abounds, resembles Scotland in its natural features of sublimity and beauty with a far milder and better climate.

In this connection we would gladly refer to a series of letters which have appeared in the "Hamilton Advertiser," of the present year, and especially to the letter of June the 4th, which gives a very interesting and intelligent account of the moral and the material attractions of the State. These letters will carry additional weight to the minds of Scotchmen, as written by a countryman of their own, Mr. Duncan Stewart, of Detroit.

The base of the Presbyterian population of the State is Scotch and Scotch-Irish, many of whom came hither originally from Pennsylvania and the Valley of Virginia, but most, directly from Scotland.

I am perfectly sincere in the expression of the opinion that in no part of the world would the countrymen of Knox and Chalmers find a warmer welcome or a more congenial abode than in North Carolina.

I feel bound, however, to enter my solemn protest against certain defamatory statements concerning the social and moral character and condition of Southern society generally, and especially of what has gone out from these sources against this particular State.

Believe me to remain
Very respectfully yours,
JOSEPH M. ATKINSON,
Pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Raleigh, N. C.

Whereupon the Synod adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the letter of Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson to R. Kingsland, Esq. having been read before the Synod of North Carolina, the Synod endorses the said letter and extends a cordial invitation to the Presbyterians of Scotland, contemplating immigration, to make their homes in our midst.

The following resolution was also adopted.

Resolved, That the Synod designate Dr. E. Nye Hutchison, of Charlotte, N. C., Prof. W. C. Kerr, of Raleigh, Ralph Gorrell, Esq., of Greensboro', Mr. Alexander Sprunt, of Wilmington, B. Fuller, Esq., of Fayetteville, and A. T. Summey, of Ashville, N. C., Ruling-Elders in the Presbyterian church, as persons worthy of the confidence of those interested in the introduction of immigrants for information on this whole subject.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod having heard with pleasure, the address of Rev. J. Leighton Wilson, D.D., relative to the General Assembly's scheme for the relief of the families of deceased Ministers, do heartily approve this enterprise, and recommend it to the Presbyteries, Churches and Sessions composing this Synod.

The report of the Committee of Bills and Overtures, on overture No. 1, which was laid on the table yesterday, was taken up. This report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report is as follows:

The Committee of Bills and Overtures, to whom was referred the resolution of Rev. H. A. Munroe, do report that they deem it inexpedient to change the line in any respect, or to make any transfer of territory from one Presbytery to another.

The committee appointed heretofore, to prepare sketches of the life and labors of Dr. Alexander Wilson, Rev. Robert Tate and Rev. D. Johnston, having failed to report, the Synod expresses its regret at this failure, and hopes to have a report from them at its next meeting.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod expresses, hereby, its disappointment and regret, that in view of a certain sale of property, and of the rumored loss of funds belonging to this body, the Trustees of this Synod have sent no report of what has taken place, and of what is the condition of the funds belonging to this Synod.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Synod of North Carolina be tendered to the citizens of Raleigh for their cordial hospitality to its members while in session here; also, to the various rail roads for their reduction of fare; and to the Methodist and Baptist churches for the use of their houses of worship, and that the pastor of the Presbyterian church be requested to read this resolution from the pulpit on Sabbath, and that the city papers be requested to publish the same.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was directed to select one or more of the commissioners to the next General Assembly, to defend its action in relation to the Presbytery of Mecklenburg, against which action notice was given that complaint would be made.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod recommends to each of the Presbyteries to appoint annually some one of its members to prepare and read before the Presbytery a historical sketch of some one of the churches within its bounds, and that such sketches be filed away by the Stated Clerk, in the archives of the Presbytery.

The committee on leave of absence made the following report, which was accepted and approved:

The committee on leave of absence respectfully report, that they have granted leave of absence to the following members of Synod:

To Mr. W. J. Cromartie, after Thursday evening; to Rev. Tho. U. Faucette, after 11 o'clock, Friday; and to the following members after Friday evening:—Rev. E. F. Rockwell, S. C. Pharr, D.D., A. N. Ferguson, R. H. Caldwell, Robert Bradley, D. E. Jordan, J. Rumple, S. H. Isler, W. A. Wood, and Messrs. E. B. Stimson, E. Nye Hutchison, Thomas Brown, N. F. Hall, John Walker, A. G. Neal, W. D. Harrington, William Murdoch, William Caldwell, J. L. Woods, Malcom McNeill, W. B. Wright, S. Northrop, J. D. Currie, Rev. H. L. Singleton, and Rev. N. Z. Graves. To Rev. Neill McKay, D.D., after 12 o'clock, M., on Saturday.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The roll was then called and the following members were found to be absent without permission:

Presbytery of Orange—Rev. D. Lacy, D. D., and Richard Seawell, Ruling-Elder.

Presbytery of Wilmington—Ruling-Elders E. W. Kerr and J. C. McMillan.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet in Fayette-

ville, N.C., on the 11th day of October 1871, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

ADDRESS OF THE SYNOD

OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE CHURCHES UNDER ITS CARE.

DEAR BRETHREN:—"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all."

Another year has passed away, and the Synod has met and heard the narratives on the state of religion from the Presbyteries, and would address words of encouragement and fraternal advice to all the churches under its care.

1st. *Statement.*—The narratives from the Presbyteries report no special revivals—no general awakening on the subject of religion. As to benevolence, they tell of increased liberality on the part of some of the churches, and they tell us that some churches—in some of the Presbyteries of a good many churches—which have contributed nothing to any religious object; they speak of more general interest in Sabbath schools; they say the people generally attend to the preaching of the word; they speak of many vacant churches and no ministers to occupy them; they speak of the many and vast regions in all of the Presbyteries that are without the ministrations of the Gospel, and that great interest exists on the subject of sending out evangelists, missionaries and pastors to labor in these waste places; they tell us further of the decline of some of our dear old churches, where many of the ministers and elders of the Synod were raised, and learned the ways of Zion; that the venerable fathers in some of them have died; that their numbers are getting smaller every year, and that they are unable to support the ministry as they once did, in the days when our fathers lived, and of their abundance cheerfully paid our salaries and supported our missionaries.

2d. *Encouragement.*—This, brethren, is no very flattering record of our year's work. But let us not be discouraged; let us fight on, asking forgivness for former short-comings and for ability and disposition to do more efficient and cheerful service in future.

What your hands find to do, do with your might looking forward. We do exhort to individual, personal effort in the Master's work. Do pray for the ministry. This will help them to preach and help you to forgive their short-comings. Do stand by and hold up the hands of your elders and deacons, who in great anxiety and modest zeal and without material compensation, desire to serve you and build up the walls of Zion.

Do we affectionately entreat you look well to your households, rule them in the fear of the Lord, train the dear little children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, impress them with the solemn truth that they cannot afford to do without religious privileges and the public means of grace.

We exhort you to confidence in the agencies of the church. This Synod delights to honor and support the Committees of the General Assembly, believing they are conscientiously and wisely operating the great schemes entrusted to their care, and we do therefore confidently recommend them to your liberal support and favorable consideration.

To any of you who are blessed in your temporal affairs and are able and willing to offer a helping hand where it is needed, we would suggest that there are some places in our bounds where the Presbyteries do most sincerely desire to build houses of worship and have no funds with which to operate, and where the Presbyteries would most gladly make permanent investments of any donations you may be willing to make.

And as we observe the wonderful revolutions of the day, by which the works of art and the fortunes of the crowned heads of the East are being swept away, leaving poverty, pestilence and ruin in their stead, how full of meaning is the Scripture caution: "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth."

And now, brethren, we bid you God's speed, commending you to his tender mercy, and praying his blessing upon all the churches in this old commonwealth, that God "would keep them all by his power, through faith unto salvation."

S. A. STANFIELD, Moderator.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 8, 1870.

REPORT OF ORANGE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Orange respectfully submits to the Synod of North Carolina the following report of their benevolent contributions for the year ending April 1st, 1870:

We have under our care 51 churches. Of these

33	contributed to	Sustentation,	$ 666 00
32	"	" Foreign Missions,	652 00
31	"	" Education,	1113 00
24	"	" Publication,	349 00
		Miscellaneous contributions,	1831 00
		Total,	$4611 00

Thus it appears that several of our churches have contributed this year that gave nothing last year, and that there is an increase this year in the aggregate of $657 00.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

Hawfields Church, September 7, 1870.

REPORT OF FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully submit to the Synod of North Carolina the following report of their contributions for the year ending April 9, 1870.

30	Churches contributed to	Sustentation,			$ 527 42
31	....do.	.....do.	Foreign Missions,		320 00
29	....do.	.....do.	Education,		339 97
27	....do.	.....do.	Publication,		235 19

Leaving

15	Churches as giving nothing to			Sustentation.
14	do.	do.	do.	Foreign Missions.
16	do.	do.	do.	Education.
18	do.	do.	do.	Publication.

It is due to our churches to state that the past Synodical year has been one of unprecedented scarcity among our people both of provisions and money.

There are three methods employed in raising funds for benevolent objects.

1. The envelope system.
2. Regular Sabbath collections whenever they have preaching.
3. Quarterly collections, at such times as suit the convenience of the people.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery,

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 6th, 1870.

REPORT OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that the churches under their care have contributed the following sums to benevolent purposes, from October 1869 to October 1870, viz:

For	Contingent Fund,	$356 68.
"	Sustentation,	204 89.
"	Foreign Missions,	200 35.
"	Education,	195 32.
"	Publication,	69 32.
"	Disabled Ministers,	50 79.

Respectfully submitted.

L. McKINNON, Stated Clerk.

October 5, 1870.

FIRST REPORT OF MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

To the Synod of North Carolina the Presbytery of Mecklenburg reports:

1st. That their benevolent operations are not very systematic as yet, though they are trying to make them so.

All of the benevolent schemes of the church receive attention from the Presbytery, but owing to the confusion in the time and manner of reporting, the Presbytery is not as yet officially informed as to what their churches have done. As to Sustentation, reports show what was done by *some* of the churches from our organization in October last to April last. The same is true of Education. Our Agent for Foreign Missions has been able to report what has been done up to the present time by about one half of the churches. The Agent for Publication reports for the whole year also, but he has heard from only seven churches.

2nd. So far as we can report, the aggregate amounts contributed are as follows:

Sustentation,	$861 00
Foreign Missions,	771 00
Publication,	62 00
Education,	00 00

3rd. This amount to Sustentation includes contributions for Evangelists, Ministers' Families, &c.

We know that more has been done for Sustentation than these figures show, but we are unable to say what is the correct amount, and the same is true of the other causes. Nineteen of the churches of this Presbytery have given to Foreign Missions nearly as much as the two Presbyteries of Concord and Mecklenburg gave the year before their division.

Respectfully submitted.

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk.

Near Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 30, 1870.

ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Directors and Trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, to the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia, for the years 1869 and 1870.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, 15th June, 1870.

The Directors and Trustees respectfully submit to the Synods this their annual report, viz:

FACULTY.—The venerable and beloved Rev. Samuel B. Wilson, D.D., one of the Professors, died on the 1st day of August, 1869, after a useful and honorable service of twenty-eight years. On the 27th October, 1869, the Trustees, by unanimous vote, elected the Rev. HENRY C. ALEXANDER, D.D., a Professor of the institution; on the 1st day of January, 1870, he entered on the duties of his office; on the 14th day of June 1870, at the first meeting of the Trustees since his election, he was formally inducted into office, in the mode prescribed by the constitution, delivered a discourse appropriate to his inauguration in the presence of the Board of Directors, entered into the engagements required by the plan and constitution, and received from the Rev. Prof. J. L. KIRKPATRICK, as the representative of the Board, a solemn charge as to the nature and duties of his office.

The Faculty now consists of the following professors, viz:

Rev. Benj. M. Smith, D.D., Professor of Oriental Literature.

Rev. Robt. L. Dabney, D.D., Professor of Systematic and Pastoral Theology.

Rev. Tho. E. Peck, D.D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Church Government.

Rev. Henry C. Alexander, D.D., Professor of Biblical Literature and Interpretation of the New Testament.

2. STUDENTS.—Thirty-five students have been in attendance at the Seminary during the collegiate year terminating 14th June, 1870, and it gives the Board pleasure to report to the Synods, that these young gentlemen have been faithful, diligent and conscientious in their studies and preparation for the great and noble work of the Gospel Ministry. Certificates of having completed the studies prescribed by the constitution of the Seminary have been awarded to the following members of the senior class, viz:

Ed. T. Hoge of Va., Alfred Jones of West Va., J. G. Hunter of Kentucky, Ch. A. Scott of Va., G. B. Strickler of Va., D. S. Sydenstricker, West Va.

3. LIBRARY.—Additions of 228 volumes have been made to the Library during the year. The late Rev. U. Powers, dec'd., of Roanoke county, Va., by his will, bequeathed to the Seminary the half of his estate, to be appropriated exclusively to the purchase of books for the Library, and it is expected that three thousand dollars will be realized from this source by the 1st Sept. 1870, and more than six thousand dollars thereafter.

4. FINANCE.—The Treasury of the Seminary is in a healthy condition, and the accruing incomes, it is believed, will be sufficient to meet the payment of salaries and current expenses during the next fiscal year. The Trustees deemed it wise to sell some of its securities not yielding revenues, except to a limited extent. From the proceeds of sales and other sources, the Treasurer has re-invested an amount sufficient to keep the aggregate investment at about one hundred and forty-five thousand dollars in nominal value. The income derived from funds invested for scholarships has been used, during the past year, to great advantage to students, enabling them to prosecute their studies without interruption for lack of pecuniary means. From past experience of the value of these scholarships the Trustees would strongly urge upon Christians to contribute, with greater liberality, to the completion of scholarships already commenced and to founding still others for the Seminary.

5. In addition to the Directors to be appointed by the Synods in consequence of the terms of office of certain Directors expiring with the meetings of the Synods in 1870, (whose names are to be found in the records of the Synods) vacancies occur in the body of Trustees, occasioned by the death of the Rev. W. H. Foote, D.D., and the resignation of the Rev. H. C. Alexander. All the Directors attended the June (1870) meeting, or rendered satisfactory excuses for absence, except Directors Roan, Bullock, Peyton and Murphy.

6. TERMS.—After one year's experience, the Trustees have deemed it expedient to return to the former length of the terms of study. The collegiate year will commence with the second Monday in September, and close with the second Wednesday of the following May. The annual meetings of the Board will be held on the Tuesday before the second Wednesday in May,

7. ROOMS.—The special attention of the Synods is requested to the want of sufficient accommodation for the students. With the increase of numbers confidently expected, it will be necessary to supply furniture to unfurnished rooms, and to re-supply those heretofore furnished. The Synods are respectfully urged to recommend this matter to their churches, and to provide more fully for the necessities and conveniences of our students.

8. OFFICES.—The official list is hereto appended.

9. On a review of the history of the Seminary for the past year, the church ought to render devout thanks to God for the great and unwonted measure of prosperity with which He has blessed this institution of sacred learning. The prayers of the people of God have been answered. The several departments of Theological training are filled by men of fidelity and ability, and our young men are well prepared "to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

By order of the Trustees. Respectfully submitted.

C. C. READ, ecretary.

OFFICERS.—*Directors*—Ministers: Rev. C. H. Read, D.D., S. A. Stanfield, J. Rumple, (terms expire 1870) W. Brown, D.D,, E. Hines, J. P. McPherson, W. T. Richardson (1871), J. J. Bulloch, J. H. Smith, J. M. Sherwood (1872), F. H. Johnston, J. M. Atkinson, H. M. White, J. L. Kirkpatrick (1873), two vacancies viz: of Dr. Foote (1870) and Dr. Alexander (1872). Elders: C. C. Read, A. T. Summey (1870), N. M. Roan, E. M. Armstrong (1871), C. L. Peyton, E. N. Hutchison (1872), P. Murphy, A. G. McIlwaine (1873).

Rev. Wm. Brown, D.D., President; Rev. J. Rumple and A. G. McIlwaine, Vice-Presidents; C. C. Read, Farmville, Va., Secretary; F. N. Watkins, Assist. Sec'y and Treasurer, Farmville, Va.

The post office address of the Professors and Students is "Hampden Sidney," Prince Edward Co., Va.

C. C. R.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF SYNOD.

RECEIPTS.

1869 October 13.	Balance in my hands,.....		$ 57 03
1870, April 15,	Presbytery of Fayetteville for 1870,.....		40 00
May 5,	" Wilmington " 1869,.....		25 00
"	" " " 1870,.....		25 00
"	" Orange " "		65 00
October 4.	Balance due to Treasurer, ...		13 34
			$ 225 37

DISBURSEMENTS.

1869, October 20.	Paid Rev. J. Doll, salary as stated clerk for the year 1869, and his account.....	$ 75 66
1870, April 15.	Paid Rev. J. M. Sherwood, as per his account and receipt.....	149 71
		$ 225 37

Showing a balance of $13 34 due to the Treasurer, and the assessment of Synod on Concord Presbytery for 1870. $75 00 unpaid.

Respectfully submitted.

JESSE H. LINDSAY, Treasurer.

October 4, 1870.

Moderators of the Synod of North Carolina.

	MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1813.	Rev. Robert H. Chapman.....	Alamance Church.
1814.	Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell.....	Thyatira Church.
1815.	Rev. William McPheeters,.....	Fayetteville.
1816.	Rev. John Robinson,.....	Raleigh.
1817.	No meeting—no quorum present.....	Rocky River.
1818.	Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D.D.,.....	Fayetteville.
1819.	Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, M.D.....	Raleigh.
1820.	Rev. William Paisley,.....	Poplar Tent.
1821.	Rev. John M. Wilson, ...	Salisbury.
1822.	Rev. John Robinson,.....	Hillsboro'.
1823.	Rev. John Witherspoon,.....	Fayetteville.

1824. Rev. Colin McIver,.....Statesville.
1825. Rev. John B. Davis,.....Greensboro'.
1826. Rev. William McPheeters, D.D.,.....Fayetteville.
1827. Rev. R. H. Morrison, D.D.,.....Salisbury.

The Stated Clerk has no record of this and two succeeding meetings.

1828. Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch,.....Raleigh.
1829. Rev. John Williamson,.....Fayetteville.
1830. Rev. Samuel L. Graham,.....Hopewell.
1831. Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich,.....Hillsboro'.
1832. Rev. Samuel Williamson,.....Salisbury.
1833. Rev. Henry A. Rowland,.....Wilmington.
1834. Rev. James W. Douglass,.....Oxford.
1835. Rev. Henry N. Pharr,.....Salisbury.
1836. Rev. Joseph Brown,.....Fayetteville.
1837. Rev. N. H. Harding,.....Shiloh Church.
1838. Rev. Stephen Frontis,.....Third Greek Church.
1839. Rev. Daniel A. Penick,.....Lincolnton.
1840. Rev. Alexander Wilson, D.D.,.....Danville, Va.
1841. Rev. William N. Peacock,.....Fayetteville.
1842. Rev. Walter S. Pharr,.....Poplar Tent.
1843. Rev. James Phillips,.....Raleigh.
1844. Rev. Simeon Colton,.....Fayetteville.
1845. Rev. Samuel Williamson,.....Charlotte.
1846. Rev. Drury Lacy,.....Greensboro'.
1847. Rev. Evander McNair,.....Fayetteville.
1848. Rev. Cyrus Johnston,.....Salisbury.
1849. Rev. John A. Gretter,.....Hillsboro'.
1850. Rev. Adam Gilchrist,.....Centre.
1851. Rev. Archibald Baker,.....Rocky River.
1852. Rev. William N. Mebane,.....Danville, Va.
1853. Rev. Hector McLean,.....Wilmington.
1854. Rev. A. L. Watts,.....Concord.
1855. Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D.D.,.....Greensboro'.
1856. Rev. Neill McKay,.....Fayetteville.
1857. Rev. Walter W. Pharr,.....Charlotte.
1858. Rev. Jacob Doll,.....Newbern.
1859. Rev. F. K. Nash,.....Wilmington.
1860. Rev. R. H. Lafferty,.....Statesville.
1861. Rev. Edward Hines,.....Raleigh.
1862. Rev. John M. Sherwood,.....Goldsboro'.
1863. Rev. R. N. Davis,.....Salisbury.
1864. Rev. A. G. Hughes,.....Greensboro'.
1865. Rev. Colin Shaw,.....Fayetteville.
1866. Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D.D.,.....Charlotte.
1867. Rev. Archibald Currie,.....Newbern.
1868. Rev. D. D. McBryde,.....Wilmington.
1869. Rev. Jesse Rankin,.....Morganton.
1870. Rev. S. A. Stanfield,.....Raleigh.

Stated Clerks of the Synod of North Carolina.

1813. Rev. Robert H. Chapman.
1818. Rev. Colin McIver.
1849. Rev. Drury Lacy.
1855. Rev. Archibald Baker.
1859. Rev. Jacob Doll.

Union Theological Seminary.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN NORTH CAROLINA.

FIRST CLASS TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

Rev. L. McKinnon. — Mr. A. T. Summey, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. J. Rumple. — To go out in 1874.

SECOND CLASS TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

Rev. F. H. Johnston. — Mr. P. Murphy, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. J. M. Atkinson. — To go out in 1873.

THIRD CASS TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

Rev. J. H. Smith. — Dr. E. Nye Hutchison, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. J. M. Sherwood. — To go out in 1872.

FOURTH CLASS TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

Rev. J. P. McPherson. — Dr. R. L. Beall, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. Edward Hines. — To go out in 1871.

Trustees of Synod.

Col. Thomas A. Allison.....Statesville, N. C.
Mr. D. A. Davis, ...Salisbury, N. C.
Mr. William F. Cowan, ...Statesville, N. C.
Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, ...Greensboro', N. C.

Agents of Synod.

Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Agent of Foreign Missions.
Rev. J. M. Sherwood, Agent of Sustentation.
Rev. Neill McKay, D.D., Agent of Education.
Rev. J. Henry Smith, Agent of Publication and Colportage.
Rev. L. C. Vass, Agent of Sabbath Schools.

Treasurer of Synod.

Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, Greensboro', N. C.

DOCKET

OF THE FIFTY-EIGHTH SESSION OF THE SYNOD OF N. CAROLINA,

TO BE HELD IN FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., OCT. 11, 1871.

1. Prayer.
2. Roll called.
3. Moderator chosen.
4. Temporary Clerks chosen.
5. Minutes read.
6. Absentees from the last meeting of the Synod.

FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.—Rev. Messrs. G. W. Ferrill, C. N. Morrow, C. H. Wiley, W. B. Tidball, H. B. Pratt and J. M. M. Caldwell.

FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.—Rev. Messrs. Daniel Lindley, Thos. P. Johnston and S. J. Millen.

FROM THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.—Rev. Messrs. Hector McNeill,

Hector McAlister, Jas. McQueen, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen, J. H. Coble, D. Fairley, Malcom McNair and K. M. McIntyre.

From the Presbytery of Wilmington.—Rev. Messrs. D. B. Black, C. Shaw, J. M. Sprunt, B. F. Marable, H. B. Burr and A. McFadyen.

From the Presbytery of Mecklenburg.—Rev. Messrs. R. H. Morrison, D.D., J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, N. Shotwell, W. N. Morrison, William Graves, J. F. W. Freeman, Jacob Hood and R. B. Anderson.

7. Read the statistical reports of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg Presbyteries.

8. Appoint the following standing committees:

1. On Bills and Overtures.
2. Judicial Committee.
3. On the Records of Orange Presbytery.
4. On the Records of Concord Presbytery.
5. On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery.
6. On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery.
7. On the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery.
8. To prepare an address to the Churches on the state of religion within the bounds of the Synod.
9. On devotional exercises.
10. On the Treasurer's Account.
11. On the Minutes of the General Assembly.
12. On Union Theological Seminary.
13. On the Report of the Trustees of Synod.
14. On leave of absence.

9. Read the narrative of Orange Presbytery on the state of religion.

10. Read the narrative of Concord Presbytery on the state of religion.

11. Read the narrative of Fayetteville Presbytery on the state of religion.

12. Read the narrative of Wilmington Presbytery on the state of religion.

13. Read the narrative of Mecklenburg Presbytery on the state of religion.

14. Read the report of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

15. The term of office of the fourth class of Directors of Union Theological Seminary expires at this meeting of Synod, viz: Rev. J. P. McPherson, Rev. Edward Hines, Dr. R. L. Beall, Ruling-Elder.

16. Absentees at the calling of the roll at the close of the last session of Synod. [See Minutes of last session.]

17. Read the report of Orange Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

18. Read the report of Concord Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

19. Read the report of Fayetteville Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

20. Read the report of Wilmington Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

21. Read the report of Mecklenburg Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

22. Report on the life and labors of Rev. Robert Tate. Rev. J. M. Sprunt and Rev. C. Shaw, committee, appointed in 1867.

23. Report on the life and labors of Rev. Alexander Wilson, D.D., Rev. C. Phillips, D.D., Rev. A. G. Hughes and Mr. Thomas Sparrow, Ruling-Elder, committee, appointed 1867.

24. Report on the life and labors of Rev. Daniel Johnson. Rev. J. H. Coble, Rev. M. McNair and A. Baker, Ruling-Elder, committee, appointed in 1868.

25. Report of the Trustees of Synod.

26. Report of the Treasurer of Synod.

27. Report of the Agent of Sustentation, Rev. J. M. Sherwood.

28. Report of the Agent of Education, Rev. Neill McKay, D.D.

29. Report of the Agent of Foreign Missions, Rev. R. Z. Johnston.

30. Report of the Agent of Publication, Rev. J. H. Smith.

31. Report of the Agent of Sabbath schools, Rev. L. C. Vass.

32. Shall the Minutes of Synod be published and how many copies?

33. Statistical report of the Synod to the General Assembly.

34. Time and place of the next meeting of Synod.

35. Call the roll at the close of the session.

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-EIGHTH SESSION

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MINUTES.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Oct. 11, 1871.

The Synod of North Carolina met according to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by Rev. S. A. Stanfield, Moderator, from Philippians, 2d ch., 12th v.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer.

The roll of Ministers and Churches was called, and the following members were found to be present:

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—Jacob Doll, A. G. Hughes, A. Currie, S. A. Stanfield, Thomas U. Faucette, Joseph M. Atkinson, P. H. Dalton, J. Henry Smith, F. H. Johnston, W. B. Tidball and L. C. Vass.

Ruling-Elders—S. S. Clayton, S. White, Wm. R. Hughes, J. A. Womack and T. C. Ford.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—Thomas P. Johnston, T. N. Paxton, Geo. M. Gibbs, B. L. Beall, D. A. Penick and William A. Wood.

Ruling-Elders—T. H. Robinson, E. N. McNeely, N. F. Hall, J. E. Posten and J. H. Greenlee.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—Hector McLean, J. P. McPherson, Neill McKay, D.D., A. McMillan, J. M. Sherwood, M. McQueen, James McQueen, A. McQueen, J. H. Coble, H. G. Hill, M. McNair, A. N. Ferguson and K. M. McIntyre.

Ruling-Elders—John C. Campbell, Neill Graham, Neill McDonald, D. McIntyre, W. D. Harrington, B. Fuller, M. McIntosh, William Shaw, Peter Brown, D. C. Currie, A. McLeod, Duncan Bethune, M. Ferguson, L. D. Cameron and John M. McKinnon.

PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

Ministers—S. C. Alexander, S. H. Isler, James Kelly, L. McKinnon, A. McFadyen and A. Kirkland.

Ruling-Elders—W. H. Beatty, E. C. Currie, Dr. C. T. Murphy, G. S. Carr, James Murphy and B. F. Grady.

PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

Ministers—John Douglas, Walter W. Pharr, R. B. Anderson and H. H. Banks.

Ruling-Elders—J. R. Hutchinson and S. M. Banks.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—G. W. Ferrill, Edward Hines, D. E. Jordan, Drury Lacy, D.D., James C. Alexander, C. N. Morrow, C. Phillips, D.D., C. H. Wiley, H. B. Pratt and E. H. Harding.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—Jesse Rankin, Daniel Lindley, E. F. Rockwell, S. C. Millen, S. C. Pharr, D.D., J. Rumple, William W. Pharr, Robert Bradley and J. B. Mack.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—Hector McNeill, D. D. McBryde, N. T. Bowden, D. Fairley and Joseph Evans.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

Ministers—D. B. Black, H. A. Munroe, Colin Shaw, J. M. Sprunt, B. F. Marable, H. L. Singleton, N. Z. Graves and H. B. Burr.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

Ministers—R. H. Morrison, D.D., Robert Burwell, J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, N. Shotwell, W. N. Morrison, R. H. Chapman, D.D., William Graves, J. F. W. Freeman, T. E. Davis, J. C. Williams, J. Hood, A. W. Miller, D.D., G. D. Parks, J. S. Barr, R. Z. Johnston, William McDonald and J. J. Kennedy.

Rev. J. P. McPherson was elected Moderator, and Rev. Messrs. F. H. Johnston and G. M. Gibbs Temporary Clerks.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING, Oct. 12, 1871.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

Mr. Walter Smith, Ruling-Elder from the Presbytery of Fayetteville; Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, Ruling-Elder from the Presbytery of Orange, and Mr. W. N. Whitted, Ruling-Elder from the Presbytery of Wilmington, appeared in Synod, and after rendering satisfactory reasons for tardiness, their names were enrolled.

Rev. James C. Alexander, of the Presbytery of Orange; Rev. R. Burwell, of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg; Rev. Hector McNeill and Rev. D. Fairley, of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, appeared in Synod, and after rendering satisfactory reasons for tardiness, took their seats.

On motion, the reading of the Minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

The following Ministers rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of Synod: T. P. Johnston, Hector McNeill, J. McQueen, A. McQueen, J. H. Coble, M. McNair, K. M. McIntyre, A. McFadyen and R. B. Anderson.

The statistical reports from the Presbyteries were read and approved. They are as follows:

THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 21 Ministers, and have under their care 50 Churches, 3 Licentiates and 12 Candidates; that on the 6th day of October, 1870, they received under their care Mr. James W. Shearer, a licentiate from the Presbytery of Roanoke; that on the 5th day of April, 1871, they dissolved the Church of Milburnie and directed the members to attach themselves to the Church of Raleigh; that on the 7th day of April, 1871, they licensed Mr. John W. Primrose to preach the gospel, that on the same day they dismissed Rev. J. M. M. Caldwell to join the Presbytery of Cherokee; that on the 16th day of September, 1871, they received the Rev. E. H. Harding from the Presbytery of Concord; and that their next stated meeting will be held in Newbern, N. C., on Wednesday before the first Sabbath in April, 1872, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

October 4, 1871.

THE PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

The Presbytery of Concord report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 15 Ministers, and have under their care 33 Churches, one Licentiate and 12 Candidates; that on the 22d day of March, 1871, they dissolved the pas-

ween the Rev. R. H. Caldwell and the Churches of Bethany and

Fifth Creek, and on the same day dismissed, at his own request, the Rev. R. H. Caldwell to connect himself with the Central Mississippi Presbytery; that on the 13th day of April they received, on certificate from Charleston Presbytery, the Rev. J. B. Mack; that on the same day they dissolved the pastoral relation between the Rev. E. H. Harding and the Church of Concord town; that on the same day they dismissed, at his own request, the Rev. E. H. Harding to connect himself with the Presbytery of Orange; that on the 12th day of August they installed the Rev. J. B. Mack Pastor of Rocky River Church; that on the 28th day of June they lost by death the Rev. G. Wilson McPhail, D.D., the worthy President of Davidson College; and that their next stated meeting will be at Concord Church, Iredell County, on Thursday before the 3d Sabbath in April, 1872. Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM W. PHARR, Stated Clerk.

THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETEEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 18 Ministers, and have under their care 46 Churches and 11 Candidates for the ministry; that on the 11th day of November, 1870, they organized Iona Church, in Robeson County; that on the 6th day of April, 1871, they enrolled Rev. Joseph Evans, a foreign Minister, according to the order of Synod; and that on the 8th day of August, 1871, they lost by death Rev. Hector McAlister; and that on the 10th day of October, 1871, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. M. McNair, as co-pastor, and Lumber Bridge Church. Respectfully submitted, by order of Presbytery.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

St. Paul's, October 10, 1871.

THE PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

The Presbytery of Wilmington would respectfully submit to the Synod of North Carolina the following statistical report:

At present this Presbytery consists of 14 Ministers and has under its care 27 Churches, 2 Licentiates and 5 Candidates; that on the 7th day of March, 1871, Rev. S. C. Alexander, Evangelist of Presbytery, organized a Church at Swannsboro', and on the 27th day of August, 1871, a Church on Topsail Sound; and that on the 8th day of September, 1871, Mr. W. H. Darden was received under the care of this Presbytery as a candidate for the Gospel Ministry.

By order of Presbytery.

L. McKINNON, Stated Clerk.

Black River Chapel, Sept. 9, 1871.

THE PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina:

1. That they consist of 22 Ministers, and have under their care 39 Churches and 6 Candidates.

2. That they dissolved the pastoral relation between the Rev. William McDonald and the Church of Bethlehem (one-third of his time) on the 14th April, 1871, and declared that Church vacant.

3. That they lost by death, on 24th April, 1871, the Rev. Robert N. Davis.

4. That 10 of their Ministers are Pastors, 7 are Stated Supplies, and 3 are without charge; 11 of their Churches are vacant, 4 have Pastors all of their time and the rest are supplied. Respectfully submitted.

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk.

Near Charlotte, October 7, 1871.

Mr. James D. Cumming, Ruling-Elder from the Presbytery of Wilmington, appeared in Synod, and after rendering satisfactory reasons for tardiness, took his seat.

The narratives on the state of religion from the several Presbyteries were read and referred to the committee appointed to prepare an address to the Churches.

Letters rendering satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting were read from Rev. Messrs. J. C. Williams, William W. Pharr, Charles Phillips, D.D., J. Hood, E. Hines, S. C. Pharr, D.D., E. F. Rockwell, G. D. Parks, A. W. Miller, D.D., and R. Z. Johnston.

The report of the Board of Directors and Trustees of Union Theological Seminary was read and referred to the committee on the Seminary.

Rev. Messrs. James P. McPherson, L. McKinnon and J. M. Sherwood, of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary, were excused for failure to attend the meeting of the Board last May.

Rev. John M. Sherwood resigned the office of Director of the Seminary and his resignation was accepted.

The vacancy in the Board occasioned by this resignation, together with that occasioned by the expiration of the term of office of the 4th Class of Directors in said Board, were referred to the committee on the Seminary.

Excuses of absentees at the calling of the roll at the close of the last meeting of Synod were called for; when it appeared that none of those absentees were present at this meeting.

The reports of the various Presbyteries on Systematic Benevolence were read and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The committee appointed to prepare a sketch of the life and labors of Rev. Daniel Johnson made a report, which was accepted and approved.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was read and referred to the committee on the Treasurer's account.

The Rev. Neill McKay, D.D., Agent of Education, read a report, which was accepted and approved and the resolution appended to it was adopted.

[NOTE, —This paper was not placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk.]

On motion, the reading of the report of the Agent of Publication was made the first order of the day for this afternoon.

Rev. D. D. McBryde, of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, appeared in Synod, and after rendering satisfactory reasons for tardiness, took his seat.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

1. ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.—Ministers: S. A. Stanfield, T. N. Paxton and H. McLean. Ruling-Elders; J. A. Womack and E. N. McNeely.

2. JUDICIAL COMMITTEE.—Ministers: P. H. Dalton, Thomas P. Johnston and S. H. Isler. Ruling-Elders: D, Wharton and N. F. Hall.

3. ON THE RECORDS OF ORANGE PRESBYTERY.—Ministers: J. H. Coble and S. C. Alexander. Ruling-Elder: Neill Graham.

4. ON THE RECORDS OF CONCORD PRESBYTERY.—Ministers: J. C. Alexander and A. McQueen. Ruling-Elder: M. McIntosh.

5. ON THE RECORDS OF FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.—Ministers: L. C. Vass and James Kelly. Ruling-Elder: Jesse H. Lindsay.

6. ON THE RECORDS OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.—Ministers: Thomas U. Faucette and B. L. Beall. Ruling-Elder: J. E. Posten.

7. ON THE RECORDS OF MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.—Ministers: L. McKinnon and William B. Tidball. Ruling-Elder: S. S. Clayton.

8. TO PREPARE AN ADDRESS TO THE CHURCHES ON THE STATE OF RELIGION WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF THE SYNOD.—Ministers: H. H. Banks and William A. Wood. Ruling-Elder: Gibson S. Carr.

9. ON DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.—Ministers: H. G. Hill and J. M. Sherwood. Ruling-Elder: B. Fuller.

10. ON THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.—Ruling-Elders: W. N. Whitted, James D. Cumming and James Murphy.

11. ON THE MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.—Ministers: A. G. Hughes and A. Currie. Ruling-Elder: T. H. Robinson.

12. ON UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—Ministers: Joseph M. Atkinson and Daniel A. Penick. Ruling-Elder: W. R. Hughes.

13. ON THE REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.—Minister: S. A. Stanfield. Ruling-Elders: D. McIntyre and B. F. Grady.

14. ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—Ministers: John Douglas and S. H. Isler. Ruling-Elder: T. C. Ford.

On motion, the Synod then took recess until 4 o'clock.

After recess the Synod met and was called to order.

The McPherson Church, in this vicinity, requested to be supplied with preaching by members of the Synod on next Sabbath.

On motion, this request was referred to the committee on Devotional Exercises.

The order of the day was then taken up and Rev. J. Henry Smith, Agent of Publication, read his report. On motion, this report was accepted and approved.

Rev. Mr. Mann, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The Methodist and Baptist Churches in this city were tendered for the use of the Synod next Sabbath. This matter was referred to the committee on Devotional Exercises.

The committee appointed to prepare a sketch of the life and labors of Rev. Alexander Wilson, D.D., made a report. which was received and approved.

The report of the Agent of Foreign Missions was read and approved. And, on motion, the resolutions appended to the report, and a meeting in behalf of the cause of Foreign Missions, were made the order of the day for to-morrow evening at 7½ o'clock.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was directed to have one thousand copies of the Minutes of the present session of Synod published in pamphlet form.

Charlotte, N. C., was chosen as the place, and Wednesday before the 2d Sabbath in October, 1872, at 7½ o'clock P. M., as the time, for the next meeting of the Synod.

The Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

Friday Morning, Oct. 13, 1871.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll of the Synod was then called and the Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. E. H. Harding, of the Presbytery of Orange; Rev. Messrs. J. Rumple and J. B. Mack, of the Presbytery of Concord; Rev. N. Shotwell, of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg, and James Dalrymple, Ruling-Elder from the Presbytery of Fayetteville, appeared in Synod, and after rendering satisfactory reasons for tardiness, took their seats.

The committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly reported that they found nothing in the Minutes requiring the action of the Synod. This report was approved and the committee discharged.

The Stated Clerk presented the following statistical report of the Synod to the General Assembly, which was accepted and adopted:

REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. STATES.

The Synod of North Carolina reports to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, that it consists of five Presbyteries, and that these Presbyteries consist in whole of 90 Ministers, having under their care 194 Churches, 6 Licentiates and 46 Candidates, viz:

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.
Orange,	21	50	3	12
Concord,	15	32	1	12
Fayetteville,	18	46	—	11
Wilmington,	14	27	2	5
Mecklenburg,	22	39	—	6
Total,	90	194	6	46

The Synod further reports that its next stated meeting will be held in Charlotte, N. C., on the 9th day of October, 1872, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

The following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, of which the Presbyteries of this Synod are a component part, has under its direct care a Theological Seminary in all respects worthy of the confidence and patronage of the whole Church: And whereas, said Seminary is contiguous and accessible to a large number of our Ministers and Churches: And whereas, the Synod, in the altered relations of this Seminary, does not desire to constrain the consciences of those who may prefer this Seminary:

Resolved, That while the Synod re-affirms its deep interest in the welfare of Union Theological Seminary, and its determination to sustain and foster said Institution according to the terms of the contract made with the Synod of Virginia in 1826, the Synod nevertheless judges it expedient to rescind, and hereby does rescind, the resolution adopted by the Synod of North Carolina in 1857 (see Minutes of Synod, 1857, page 16.) whereby it is declared to be "the duty of all

its Presbyteries and Ministers to use all lawful means for inclining candidates to pursue their education within its walls."

Rev. H. C. Alexander, D.D., of the Synod of Virginia and Professor in the Union Theological Seminary, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Rev. H. B. Burr, of the Presbytery of Wilmington, appeared in Synod, and after rendering satisfactory reasons for tardiness, took his seat.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Murphy, a Director of Union Theological Seminary, giving his excuse for failure to attend the last meeting of the Board, and also resigning his office as Director. On motion, Mr. Murphy was excused for non-attendance and his resignation was accepted.

On motion. the committee on the Seminary was directed to make a nomination to fill the vacancy in the Board caused by the resignation of Mr. Murphy.

Rev. H. C. DuBose, of the Synod of South Carolina, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Letters were read from Rev. Drs. Lacy and Chapman, rendering satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting.

Rev. Ira T. Wyche, of the M. E. Church, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Mr. J. W. Cromartie, Ruling-Elder from the Presbytery of Wilmington, appeared in Synod, and after rendering satisfactory reasons for tardiness, took his seat.

The report of the Trustees of the Synod was read and accepted, and referred to the standing committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod.

Rev. John M. Sherwood, Synodical Agent of Sustentation, made a report, which was, on motion, accepted and approved.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg obtained leave to withdraw from the floor of Synod for a time to attend to important business.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That each Agent of Synod for the five benevolent schemes be required to prepare an abstract of his report and forward it to the Editor of the "North Ca-

rolina Presbyterian" for publication; and that each Minister and each Session of the vacant Churches be required to read these abstracts to the congregations respectively.

The committee on the records of Wilmington Presbytery made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee to examine the records of Wilmington Presbytery report that these records are correctly and neatly kept, and recommend their approval as far as written.

The following communication from the Presbytery of Orange, proposing certain action by the Synod, was read and adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Presbytery of Orange respectfully asks the Synod of North Carolina to adopt the following overture to the General Assembly:

The Synod of North Carolina respectfully overtures the General Assembly, that in order to secure accuracy in our reports and full understanding of the available strength of our Churches, the column which shows the total of communicants in the statistical report of Sessions be divided, so that every Church may report its membership as resident and non-resident.

The committee on the Treasurer's account made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's account beg leave to report that they have examined the same and found the account correctly kept and accompanied with proper vouchers.

They also find a balance due the Treasurer of $106 66.

They also find the following assessments unpaid, viz:

Concord Presbytery, for 1870,	$75 00
Ditto ditto, 1871,	37 50
Wilmington Presbytery, for 1871,	25 00
Mecklenburg Presbytery, for 1871,	37 50
	$175 00

Your committee recommend that the assessment of $75 for the year 1870 on Concord Presbytery be equally divided between the Presbytery of Concord and the Presbytery of Mecklenburg.

Your committee recommend the following assessments to be made for the year 1872:

Orange Presbytery, for the year 1872,		$65 00
Concord ditto,	ditto,	37 50
Fayetteville ditto,	ditto,	40 00
Wilmington ditto,	ditto,	25 00
Mecklenburg ditto,	ditto,	37 50
		$205 00

The committee on the records of the Presbytery of Fayetteville made a report, which was accepted, adopted and is as follows:

The committee on the records of the Presbytery of Fayetteville report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they have examined them and find that they are neatly and correctly kept, except that the statistical report of the Presbytery to the General Assembly, with which they close, is written in very pale red ink which seems to be fading out.

The committee on the records of Orange Presbytery made a report, recommending that they be approved as far as written. This report was adopted.

The Rev. Ira T. Wyche, Agent of the American Bible Society of North Carolina, by invitation addressed the Synod on the subject of his agency. Whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we have heard the address of the Rev. Ira T. Wyche, Agent of the American Bible Society, with pleasure, and recommend this cause to the favorable consideration of all our Churches.

On motion, it was made the order of the day for to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock to consider the interests of Union Theological Seminary, and to hear an address from Professor H. C. Alexander in relation to the same subject.

Rev. L. C. Vass, Synodical Agent of Sabbath-Schools, made a report, which was accepted and approved.

The committee on the records of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg reported that they had examined them and recommend that they be approved as far as written. This report was, on motion, adopted.

The following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, the Presbytery of Orange has united with the Presbytery of Wilmington in asking the Synod of North Carolina to make a change in the dividing line between these two Presbyteries: Therefore,

Resolved, That the dividing line between the Presbytery of Orange and the Presbytery of Wilmington be so changed as to throw Carteret County within the bounds of Wilmington Presbytery.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the resolutions appended to the report on Foreign Missions were taken up, and, after appropriate religious exercises and addresses by several members and by the Rev. H. C. DuBose,

recently appointed to the Chinese Mission, the resolutions were adopted and are as follows:

Resolved, 1. That Synod is grateful to God for the honor and privilege conferred upon our beloved Church in her efforts in this department, and prays for wisdom and grace to make her worthy of the same.

Resolved, 2. That this Synod will endeavor to raise its share of the $50,000 required to carry on the work during the current year, conscious of no higher motive than the love of Jesus and no greater blessing than his approval.

Resolved, 3. That in addition to the recommendation of the General Assembly to the Presbyteries in regard to SabbathS-chool collections and the Monthly Concert, the Synod exhorts the Presbyteries to new efforts in behalf of this cause, and suggests the propriety of their devoting an hour at each Spring session to conference and prayer in regard to this subject.

On motion, a synodical collection was then taken up for Foreign Missions.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING, Oct. 14, 1871.

The Synod met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called and the Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Judicial committee made a report, which was accepted and the committee discharged.

Rev. Walter W. Pharr and Rev. Robert Burwell, with Mr. J. R. Hutchinson, Ruling-Elder, were appointed a committee to bring in a minute expressive of the sense of this body in reference to the death of Rev. R. N. Davis, a member of this Synod.

Rev. William A. Wood and Rev. T. N. Paxton, with Ruling-Elder N. F. Hall, were appointed a committee to bring in a minute in reference to the death of Rev. G. Wilson McPhail, D.D., President of Davidson College.

Rev. D. D. McBryde and Rev. H. G. Hill, with Mr. B. Fuller, Ruling-Elder, were appointed a committee to prepare a minute in reference to the death of Rev. Hector McAlister, a member of the Presbytery of Fayetteville.

The committee appointed to prepare a memoir of Rev. Robert Tate made a report, which was accepted, approved and ordered to be filed away by the Stated Clerk.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the report of the committee on the Union Theological Seminary was read.

After which the Rev. H. C. Alexander, D.D., Professor in the Seminary, addressed the Synod.

The report was then amended, adopted and is as follows:

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Trustees and Directors of the Union Theological Seminary respectfully submit the following:

We find that our task for the most part is confined to a thankful acknowledgment of the favor of God toward this beloved insitution, as shown in the following particulars:

1. The continued and regular increase of students—more than forty-two during the last year—with every prospect of a gratifying increase.

2. Twelve hundred and twenty-six volumes have been added to the library.

3. The finances of the Seminary are in a hopeful state.

4. The Churches of Virginia and North Carolina have to a gratifying extent responded to the appeal to furnish the rooms for the students, and yet we think it proper to urge upon the Churches which have done nothing for this purpose to make contributions.

We recommend for filling the vacancies in the Board of Directors: In the place of Rev. John M. Sherwood, the Rev. H. G. Hill; and in the place of Mr. Patrick Murphy, Ruling-Elder, Dr. C. T. Murphy, Ruling-Elder.

We further recommend that Rev. James P. McPherson and Rev. Walter W. Pharr, with Dr. R. L. Beall, Ruling-Elder, be elected for four years to fill the class whose term of office expires with this meeting of Synod.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod of North Carolina directs the Commissioners to the General Assembly from the Presbyteries constituting this Synod to use their influence to have the overture respecting a change in the form of statistical reports of Sessions adopted by the Assembly.

The committee to prepare a minute on the death of Rev. R. N. Davis made a report, which was accepted and adopted.

On motion, the Synodical collection taken up for Foreign Missions, amounting to $77 62, was ordered to be placed in the hands of the Treasurer of Synod.

The committee on Bills and Overtures reported that no business came into their hands. This report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay tendered his resignation as a member of the Board of Trustees of Synod. On motion, his resignation was accepted.

The committee to prepare a minute on the death of Rev. Hector McAlister made a report, which was accepted and approved.

The committee on leave of absence made a report, which was accepted, adopted and is as follows:

The committee on leave of absence report that the following members have obtained leave of absence during the sessions of Synod, viz: Messrs. Daniel McIntyre, M. Ferguson, John M. McKinnon, William Shaw, Dr. Wm. R. Hughes, James Murphy, David Wharton, M. McIntosh, Neill Graham, Archibald McLeod, G. S. Carr, T. C. Ford, Peter Brown and B. F. Grady, Ruling-Elders; Rev. Messrs, Hector McNeill, Alexander Kirkland, Thomas U. Faucette, Neill McKay, D.D., S. A, Stanfield, A. N. Ferguson, G. M. Gibbs, James C. Alexander, A. McMillan, L. McKinnon, M. McNair, S. C. Alexander, J. H. Coble, H. McLean, A. McQueen and James McQueen.

The committee appointed to prepare a minute on the death of Rev. G. Wilson McPhail, D.D., made a report, which was accepted and approved.

The following communication from the Presbytery of Fayetteville, in reference to the "North Carolina Presbyterian," was read, amended and adopted:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville, feeling a lively interest in the "North Carolina Presbyterian" and anxious that its circulation may be extended until every family in our Church shall be supplied with a copy, respectfully asks the Synod to take such action in the premises as will bring its claims more prominently before our people, and to that end submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Synod of North Carolina would urge upon all our Sessions to see that every family within their respective charges be supplied with the "North Carolina Presbyterian," and that our Churches be opened to any authorized agent or friend who may be traveling in the interest of the same.

We would especially urge upon the Evangelists of the different Presbyteries to take this matter in their hands, and present its claims to any congregation and neighborhood in their respective fields.

We urge the Presbyteries to adopt, at their Spring meeting, such measures as may seem to them best calculated to extend the circulation of this paper.

The committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod would respectfully report to your body:

That they have examined the facts stated in the report of the committee, as gathered from the verbal statement of Mr. J. H. Lindsay and the paper submitted by Messrs. Cowan and Allison, together with the reports of the Trustees made to the Synod at its sessions in Newbern in 1867, and the more comprehensive and detailed statement made by the Trustees to the Synod at its sessions in Morganton in 1869, as fully as the time at the disposal of the committee and the materials at hand would allow.

But one subject, that of the "Lorantz Fund," claims the attention of your committee, and, adopting the language of the report of 1867, we find that the Trustees were directed to collect the proceeds of the Lorantz legacy, and as fast as collected to pay over the money to the Synod's committee of Colportage.

Bearing in mind the words of the testator, that his bounty "should be vested in the hands of the Trustees of Synod to the end that it may further the promulgation of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ," this action of the Synod was a clear and unequivocal declaration of its will as to the manner in which the Trustees, its own agents, should deal with the fund, and an explicit declaration of its own mind as to the best way in which the wishes of the testator should be fulfilled. A part of the fund, viz: about $252, was paid over by the Trustees to the Committee on Colportage, and to this extent they discharged their duty with faithfulness. It is presumed by the committee that their account has already received credit for this sum, and that the amount now reported as due is the balance after making this deduction.

But your committee find that in October 1860 the Trustees reported that they had collected and loaned to the Trustees of Concord Female College $600 of the fund at 6 per cent. interest. This action was a clear departure from the specific direction given by the Synod. An assumption of control and authority by the Trustees which rendered them personally liable for the whole amount for which they were accountable; and if the Synod had then held them to the full measure of their accountability we should not now be called upon to acknowledge that not only the Trustees, but the Synod itself, has been unfaithful to the trust, and that the fund designed for a truly noble and Christian purpose has been suffered to become lost through a negligence that is wholly inexcusable. For it seems clear that the Synod, by its subsequent action, has assented to the wrongful appropriation of this fund, and by this assent has lost its right of action against the Trustees and made themselves also liable to the imputation of unfaithfulness.

It is enough to say on this subject that the fund is now lost, unless in the sale of the Concord Female College the property shall bring enough to discharge the specific lien now upon it and a further sum which shall be sufficient to discharge all other demands. These, as we are informed by the report made to this body, will be about as much more as the debt for which the property is mortgaged—in all about $20,000. As to the probability of realizing anything from this source, or from the individual notes still held by the Trustees, the committee can express no opinion.

As to the suggestion of Mr. Lindsay, one of the Trustees, to discharge the present Board, viz: Messrs. Allison, Cowan, Davis and Lindsay, and appoint three others to act in their stead, the committee would say, that they have examined the law upon the subject and find that it is plainly competent for the

Synod to pursue that course, if they deem it proper, as by the law of North Carolina, ratified 8th January 1845, it is provided that the body appointing may remove such Trustees, or any of them, and may fill vacancies occasioned by death, resignation or otherwise.

October 13, 1871.

Col. John E. Brown, of Charlotte, N. C., was elected a Trustee of Synod instead of Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, resigned.

On motion, the Synod resolved to elect three additional Trustees. Whereupon the following gentlemen were elected: Messrs. S. P. Alexander, John L. Brown and Armistead Burwell, all of the city of Charlotte, N. C.

The committee to prepare an address to the Churches made a report, which was accepted, approved and ordered to be published in the "North Carolina Presbyterian," in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod, and to be read by Pastors, Stated Supplies and Sessions of vacant Churches to their charges respectively.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of Synod be and are hereby tendered to the members of this Church and citizens of the community for the Christian hospitality extended by them to the members of the Synod; and also to the various Railroads for their reduction of fare, and the Methodist and Baptist Churches and the officers of the Evans Chapel for the use of their houses of worship; and that the Pastor of this Church be requested to read this resolution from the pulpit on the Sabbath, and that the city papers be requested to publish the same.

The committee on devotional exercises made a report, which was accepted and the committee discharged.

The roll was called, when it was found that the following members were absent without permission:

From Orange Presbytery.—Rev. A. Currie.

From Fayetteville Presbytery.—Rev. M. McQueen, Rev. D. D. McBryde, Mr. W. D. Harrington and Mr. John C. Campbell, Ruling-Elders.

From Wilmington Presbytery.—Rev. James Kelly and Mr. E. C. Currie, Ruling-Elder.

From Mecklenburg Presbytery.—Mr. S. M. Banks, Ruling-Elder.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet in the Presbyterian Church in the city of Charlotte, N. C., on Wednesday before the second Sabbath of October, 1872, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

ADDRESS TO THE CHURCHES.

The Synod of North Carolina to all the Saints in Christ Jesus under its care, with the Bishops and Deacons:

Grace be unto you, and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

We are bound to give thanks to God for you, dearly beloved Brethren, since we have heard the cheering reports which have come up to us from most of the Presbyteries respecting your steadfastness in the faith of the Gospel, and the healthful growth in so many of the graces which adorn the Christian character.

With unfeigned joy we hail the assurances given us that the ministry are, as a general thing, consecrated to their covenanted work; that so many precious seals of their ministry among you have been added to your number; and that here and there, the blessed Saviour has visited His plantation with refreshing showers of His grace.

Other indications of the Divine favor also awaken within us emotions of devout gratitude; such as the general and unceasing interest in the spiritual instruction of the youthful and the ignorant by means of Sabbath-Schools and Bible-Classes; the earnest zeal with which evangelistic labors have been prosecuted in several of the Presbyteries; the praiseworthy efforts to erect sanctuaries for Divine worship and to provide comfortable homes for your Pastors, and the growing interest which is reported in that duty of such vast and vital importance to the prosperity of Zion, viz: Systematic benevolence.

Yet, Brethren, our joy and gratitude on your behalf is not unmingled with feelings of sadness, as complaints reach us from various quarters of abounding lukewarmness and worldly-mindedness; of ministers cramped and hindered by scanty support; of many Churches indisposed or unable to supply themselves with the regular means of grace; of fields whitening to the harvest but no laborers to enter in; of family altars neglected; of prayer-meetings thinly attended, or entirely deserted; of criminal indifference to missionary work among the perishing heathen; of Sessions delinquent in the exercise of faithful discipline; and of the too frequent failure among the Churches to come up to the scriptural standard of giving of their substance to the spread of the Gospel.

And now, Brethren, bear with us while we earnestly exhort you upon several points, which, as the appointed custodians of your spiritual interests, we feel constrained to urge upon your attention.

I. We presume that, according to your Christian vows, you are regular attendants upon the ordinary services of God's house, on the Lord's Day and during the week; and that you are constant seekers at that fountain of all truth, God's holy Word; but in these days when the Press exerts such an immense and powerful influence both for good and evil, you have need to avail yourselves of the instruction and information which it affords concerning the condition and progress of the Redeemer's kingdom. Neglect not, therefore, to provide for

yourselves, and for your families, a wholesome Christian literature. especially in the form of the religious periodicals of the Church. A good religious newspaper is one of the "necessaries" of healthful spiritual "life" in every household. Those excellent publications of our Church, "The Earnest Worker," "The Children's Friend," and "The Missionary," should be regular visitors in every one of the Presbyterian homes of the State.

How can those who are ignorant and uninformed be otherwise than indifferent and uninterested in the various departments of the Church's work.

II. We repeat to you with emphasis the Apostolic injunction: "*Be not conformed to this world!*"

The world's fashions, the world's amusements, and the world's maxims and modes of transacting business, surely ill become those who have professed to "come out and be separate from the world." When pious Jehoshaphat is found in unhallowed affinity with impious Ahab, there is surely need for the Divine rebuke: "Shouldest thou help the ungodly, and love them that hate the Lord?" "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God." "Set your affection on things above, and not on things on the earth!" Be found in no circumstances yourselves (nor let your children be found) where you would be *ashamed* to be found by the Master, were He suddenly to appear!

III. We affectionately entreat you to remember your Christian stewardship. Let those who occupy the Deacon's office, be diligent and faithful, to awaken and stimulate the grace of liberality in presenting and urging systematic plans and methods of giving, and in allowing no rest to the consciences of the covetous and the churlish. And let all our church members bear in mind the apostolic rule of giving: "Upon the first day of the week let every man among you lay by him in store according as God hath prospered him." Never forget, brethren, that Jesus, "whose eyes are as a flame of fire," as of old, solemnly "sits over against the treasury," narrowly observing what and how you "cast in."

The sin of Ananias and Sapphira in withholding consecrated property, and thus "lying to the Holy Ghost," is no less grievous an offence to Him now than in the days of the early church. Covetousness, by whatever soft names we may attempt to gloss it over, is always before God,—the sin of the accursed heathen "idolatry;" and the poor, no less than the rich, may be guilty of it. Amid the "hard times" likely to come upon you, in the Providence of God, during the ensuing year, you will be peculiarly tempted to neglect "rendering unto God the things that are His." We therefore warn you beforehand, not to permit any such plea to interfere with the paramount claims of Christ's kingdom upon you. "Seek that kingdom first," and emulate those noble Macedonians, to whose praise it was declared by an inspired Apostle: "that in a great trial of affliction, the abundance of their joy, and their deep poverty, abounded unto the riches of their liberality." The hardly earned and much needed money, given to Jesus, under such circumstances, from love to His name, will be as fragrant an offering as "the woman's alabaster-box of precious ointment."

IV. We urge upon the *Elders* who are among you, to "take heed unto themselves and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made them overseers, to *shepherd*" the blood-bought flock of Christ, remembering that "the

Elders who rule well shall be worthy of *double honor*." "Reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all long-suffering and doctrine." "Them that sin *rebuke* before all, that others also may fear." If guilty Achans lurk *untroubled* in the camp, depend upon it, they will greatly *"trouble* Israel," and retard the victories of the Divine Spirit. And, let the people encourage their Elders, according to their solemn agreement at their ordination, in the exercise of faithful *discipline*. "We beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you, and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, and to esteem them very highly in love, for their works' sake. And be at peace among yourselves." *Finally;* We warn you against the incursion of *false doctrine and seducing spirits*. "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits, whether they are of God."

Our merciful God hath forewarned us that, "in the last days perilous times shall come," "when evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived;"—when men, "having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof;"—men, "ever learning, but never able to come to the knowledge of the truth"—shall "creep into houses and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts." To avoid these perils, there is need of great *watchfulness* and *prayer*, and of close and holy *walking with* God.

Beware of the specious theories of an *atheistic materialism*. Beware of "oppositions of science, falsely so-called." "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ"

Beware of *Ritualism* in all its phases. "Let no man judge you in meat and drink, or in respect of an holy-day, or of the new-moon or of the Sabbath-days." Beware of them "that *say* they are apostles, and *are not*." Beware of all manner of "*will-worships*." These things have we written unto you, concerning them which seduce you. "And now, little children, abide in Him,—that when He shall appear, ye may have confidence, and not be ashamed before Him at His coming!"

In conclusion, dearly-beloved brethren,—"we commend you to God and the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all them that are sanctified."

JAMES P. McPHERSON, Moderator.

Fayetteville, N. C., Oct. 14, 1871.

REPORT OF ORANGE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Orange respectfully reports to the Synod of North Carolina the following results of their benevolent contributions for the year ending April 1st, 1871:

We have under our care 50 churches, of which 34 report contributions.

28	contributed	to	Sustentation,	$532 00
29	"	"	Foreign Missions,	609 00
29	"	"	Education,	987 00
27	"	"	Publication,	342 00
17	"	"	Disabled Ministers and Widows and Orphans,	186 00
32	"	"	Miscellaneous,	2108 00
	Total,			$4764 00

Our statistics show that

15 churches contributed to all five of our committees.
12 " " " four " " "
2 " " " three " " "
1 " " " one " " "
20 " did not contribute to any of our "

A number of these twenty churches either have no members or only a nominal existence, and their names are kept on our roll in order to save the church property. Altogether these churches have 338 members.

There is an increase in the aggregate contributions of this year over the last of $153;—but there is a decrease in contributions to the five committees of $124.

The envelope system or regular Sabbath collections are finding much favor with our churches.

All of which is submitted.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

Lexington, N. C., Sept. 19, 1871.

REPORT OF CONCORD PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Concord respectfully submits to the Synod of North Carolina the following report of their benevolent contributions for the year ending April 1st, 1871:

We have under our care 32 churches. Of these

4	contributed to	Relief Fund,	$ 81 00
13	"	" Education,	1,344 00
23	"	" Sustentation,	818 00
12	"	" Publication,	129 00
14	"	" Foreign Missions,	360 00
9	"	" Miscellaneous,	399 00
		Total,	$3,131 00

This Presbytery reports an increase of the total amount contributed to the above objects over last year of $1,101, and a somewhat larger number of contributing churches.

A number of our churches have adopted the plan of weekly subscriptions, and a few have adopted the plan of weekly payment as part of their Sabbath worship; the churches adopting this last plan especially, report an encouraging increase in their contributions.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. W. PHARR.
Stated Clerk of Concord Presbytery.

REPORT OF FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina on the subject of Systematic Benevolence:

That from the 12th of September 1870 to 14th September 1871.

35	Churches	contributed	to Sustentation	$296 99
30	"	"	to Foreign Missions	339 09
36	"	"	to Education	374 62
25	"	"	to Publication	131 56
12	"	"	to Disabled Ministers	136 03
			Whole amount for 12 months	$1278 29

This is a decided improvement on the previous year, but still there is reason to regret that so many of our Churches do not seem to take any interest in our Church schemes.

Where does the fault lie? Just where we have often said in these reports—at the doors of Ministers, Ruling-Elders and Deacons; for if these schemes were properly explained and pressed upon the attention of our people there is not one Church within our bounds that would not contribute something to each of them.

Shall this state of things continue? Will our Church officers take the responsibility of withholding from the people an opportunity of doing their duty in this respect?

Let the officers of each Church, however small or feeble, determine that they will hereafter make an honest effort to collect something for each one of the objects of benevolence recommended by our General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

By order of Presbytery, Oct. 1871.

REPORT OF WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Wilmington would respectfully present to the Synod of North Carolina the following report on Systematic Benevolence for the year ending Sept. 1st, 1871, viz:

18	Churches	contributed	to Education	$177 41
13	"	"	to Publication	32 77
15	"	"	to Sustentation	272 83
15	"	"	to Foreign Missions	160 59
6	"	"	to Disabled Ministers	51 63
			Contingent Fund	270 96
			Whole amount contributed	$965 96

This amount is $111 39 less than the amount contributed the previous year.

By order of Presbytery. Respectfully submitted.

L. McKINNON, Stated Clerk.

REPORT OF MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg reports to the Synod of North Carolina on Systematic Benevolence as follows:

21	Churches contributed	to Sustentation	$2630
20	" "	to Foreign Missions	523
18	" "	to Education	490
17	" "	to Publication	332
		Total	$3975

This report covers the year ending April 1871, Presbytery having ordered all statistics to end with that time.

Respectfully submitted.

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk.

Near Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 7, 1871.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY—ANNUAL REPORT TO THE SYNODS OF NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,
FARMVILLE, VA., May 10, 1871.

The Trustees and Directors of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia respectfully submit to the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia this their Annual Report:

The annual meeting of the Corporation, as also of the Directors, was held on the 9th and 10th days of May 1871.

The following members were present, to-wit: Rev. W. Brown, D.D., President: with Ministers Rev. J. H. Smith, E. Hines, F. H. Johnston, J. M. Atkinson, D.D., J. Rumple, and Elders R. L. Beall, E. N. Hutchinson, A. T. Summey, of the Synod of North Carolina; and Ministers Rev. J. J. Bullock, D.D., H. M. White, W. T. Richardson, Alex. Martin, Chas. White, and Elders A. G. McIlwaine and E. M. Armstrong, of the Synod of Virginia.

Absent: Revs. C. H. Read, D.D., J. L. Kirkpatrick, D.D., J. P. McPherson, R. S. McKinnon, and Messrs. C. C. Read, C. L. Peyton and P. Murphy, (who were each excused,) and Rev. J. M. Sherwood.

The faculty is composed of the following Professors, to-wit: Revs. R. L. Dabney, D.D., B. M. Smith, D.D., Tho. E. Peck, D.D., and H. C. Alexander, D.D.

Students: Forty-one students have been in attendance during the year terminating 10th May 1871. In the Senior Class six, in the Middle class twenty-two, in the Junior class eighteen. Of these there were from Virginia 14, from North Carolina 11, from Tennessee 5, from Kentucky 5, from Maine 2, from Alabama 2, from West Virginia 4, from Maryland 1, from Texas 2.

The Senior Class have completed their course of study and are as follows, to-wit: Geo. L. Brown, Va.; Lew. B. Johnston, Va.; U. McLure, Mo.; J. W. Primrose, N. C.; J. T. Rothrock, Tenn.; J. Rockwell Smith, Ky.

Library: Twelve hundred and twenty-six volumes, on general and theological literature, have been added to the library. The sum of $2850 has been realized from the generous bequest of the late Rev. U. Powers, which has been judiciously expended in the purchase of valuable books, at home and abroad. Under the direction of the faculty, and by the sanction of the Trustees, plans and specifications for a library building have been drawn by a skilled and

scientific architect, and they will be executed when further funds are obtained for that purpose.

Finances: The incomes from investments (of the nominal value of $143,500,) have been sufficient to meet the current expenses and pay the salaries. The scholarship incomes have wisely and with manifest good been spent.

Rooms, &c.: The Churches of Virginia and North Carolina have, to a gratifying extent, responded to the appeal of the Trustees in 1870, "to supply furniture for unfurnished rooms, and to re-supply those heretofore furnished."

The Trustees report, with devout thankfulness to the Head of the Church, that the number of students during the past year was in advance of that of the previous year, and that they have reasonable grounds to expect a still larger number next session. The Professors have discharged their duties with earnest fidelity, and the diligence of the students generally has been commendable. The prayers of the people of God, in behalf of this Seminary, have been so signally answered, especially during the past year, that they ought to feel, in the blessings already received, the strongest encouragement "to pray" and not "to faint."

Officers: The official corps consists of the following, to-wit: Rev. Wm. Brown, D.D., President; Rev. J. Rumple and A. G. McIlwaine, Vice Presidents; C. C. Read, Secretary; F. N. Watkins, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. Examining Committee for 1872: Messrs. Bullock, Smith, Martin, Atkinson, Summey, Armstrong. Auditors for 1872: Summey and Armstrong. Executive Committee: Messrs. Brown, C. H. Read, C. C. Read, McIlwaine, Armstrong.

The legal title of the Corporation is: "The Trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia." (See act of Gen. Assembly of Va., passed 9th Jan. 1867.)

Correspondence should be with F. N. Watkins, Cor. Sec. and Treas'r, "Farmville, Va.," except on business connected with the faculty, library, &c., which should be with Rev. Dr. R. L. Dabney, Sec. of Faculty, "Hampden Sidney" P. O., Prince Edward County, Va., which is also the Post Office address of the faculty, their families, and the students. Respectfully submitted.

C. C. READ, Sec'y.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

The Trustees report that the funds of Synod are thus situated:

The Female College has been sold to discharge a debt due to Davidson College, amounting to nine thousand dollars.

Mr. Stephenson, shortly after the report of 1869, had the benefit of homestead, but we hope will, after a while, find himself able to pay the debt due from him.

Mr. Lyon has not yet paid any part of his debt, but still expresses a willingness to pay, and we have not thought it advisable to press the claim.

WILLIAM F. COWAN.
THOMAS A. ALLISON.

October 1871.

MODERATORS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

	MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING
1813.	Rev. Robert H. Chapman	Alamance Church
1814.	Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell	Thyatira Church.
1815.	Rev. William McPheeters	Fayetteville.
1816.	Rev. John Robinson	Raleigh.
1817.	No meeting—no quorum present	Rocky River.
1818.	Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D.D.	Fayetteville
1819.	Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, M.D.	Raleigh.
1820.	Rev. William Paisley	Poplar Tent.
1821.	Rev. John M. Wilson	Salisbury.
1822.	Rev. John Robinson	Hillsboro'.
1823.	Rev. John Witherspoon	Fayetteville.
1824.	Rev. Colin McIver	Statesville.
1825.	Rev. John B. Davis	Greensboro'
1826.	Rev. William McPheeters, D.D.	Fayetteville.
1827.	Rev. R. H. Morrison, D.D.	Salisbury.
	The Stated Clerk has no record of this and the two succeeding meetings.	
1828.	Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch	Raleigh.
1829.	Rev. John Williamson	Fayetteville
1830.	Rev. Samuel L. Graham	Hopewell
1831.	Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich	Hillsboro'
1832.	Rev. Samuel Williamson	Salisbury.
1833.	Rev. Henry A. Rowland	Wilmington.
1834.	Rev. James W. Douglass	Oxford.
1835.	Rev. Henry N. Pharr	Salisbury
1836.	Rev. Joseph Brown	Fayetteville.
1837.	Rev. N. H. Harding	Shiloh.
1838.	Rev. Stephen Frontis	Third Creek Church
1839.	Rev. Daniel A. Penick	Lincolnton.
1840.	Rev. Alexander Wilson, D D.	Danville, Va.
1841.	Rev. William N. Peacock	Fayetteville.
1842.	Rev. Walter S. Pharr	Poplar Tent
1843.	Rev. James Phillips	Raleigh.
1844.	Rev. Simeon Colton	Fayetteville.
1845.	Rev. Samuel Williamson	Charlotte.
1846.	Rev. Drury Lacy	Greensboro'.
1847.	Rev. Evander McNair	Fayetteville
1848.	Rev. Cyrus Johnston	Salisbury
1849.	Rev. John A. Gretter	Hillsboro'
1850.	Rev. Adam Gilchrist	Centre.
1851.	Rev. Archibald Baker	Rocky River
1852.	Rev. William N. Mebane	Danville, Va.
1853.	Rev. Hector McLean	Wilmington
1854.	Rev. A. L. Watts	Concord.
1855.	Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D.D	Greensboro'
1856.	Rev. Neill McKay	Fayetteville.
1857.	Rev. Walter W. Pharr	Charlotte.
1858.	Rev. Jacob Doll	Newbern.
1859.	Rev. F. K. Nash	Wilmington
1860.	Rev. R. H. Lafferty	Statesville.
1861.	Rev. Edward Hines	Raleigh.
1862.	Rev. John M. Sherwood	Goldsboro'.
1863.	Rev. R. N. Davis	Salisbury.
1864.	Rev. A. G. Hughes	Greensboro'.
1865.	Rev. Colin Shaw	Fayetteville.
1866.	Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D D	Charlotte.
1867.	Rev. Archibald Currie	Newbern.
1868.	Rev. D. D. McBryde	Wilmington.
1869.	Rev. Jesse Rankin	Morganton
1870.	Rev. S. A. Stanfield	Raleigh.
1871.	Rev. James P. McPherson	Fayetteville

STATED CLERKS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

1813. Rev. Robert H. Chapman.
1818. Rev. Colin McIver.
1849. Rev. Drury Lacy.
1855. Rev. Archibald Baker.
1859. Rev. Jacob Doll.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY—MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN NORTH CAROLINA.

FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

Rev. J. P. McPherson. — Dr. R. L. Beall, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. Walter W. Pharr. — To go out in 1875.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

Rev. L. McKinnon. — Mr. A. T. Summey, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. J. Rumple. — To go out in 1874.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

Rev. F. H. Johnston. — Dr. C. T. Murphy, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. J. M. Atkinson. — To go out in 1873.

FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

Rev. J. H. Smith. — Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson, Ruling-Elder.
Rev. H. G. Hill. — To go out in 1872.

TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

Col. Thomas A. Allison.....Statesville, N. C.
Mr. D. A. Davis.....Salisbury, N. C.
Mr. William F. Cowan.....Statesville, N. C.
Col. John E. Brown.....Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. S. P. Alexander.....Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. John L. Brown.....Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. Armistead Burwell.....Charlotte, N. C.

AGENTS OF SYNOD.

Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Agent of Foreign Missions.
Rev. J. M. Sherwood, Agent of Sustentation.
Rev. Neill McKay, D.D., Agent of Education.
Rev. J. Henry Smith, Agent of Publication.
Rev. L. C. Vass, Agent of Sabbath-Schools.

TREASURER OF SYNOD.

Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, Greensboro', N. C.

DOCKET

Of the Fifty-ninth Session of the Synod of North Carolina, to be held in Charlotte, N. C., October 9, 1872.

1. Prayer.
2. Roll called.
3. Moderator chosen.
4. Temporary Clerks chosen.
5. Minutes read.
6. Absentees from the last meeting of Synod.

FROM ORANGE PRESBYTERY.—Rev. Messrs. G. W. Ferrill, D. E. Jordan, C. N. Morrow, C. H. Wiley and H. B. Pratt.

From Concord Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. Jesse Rankin, Daniel Lindley, S. C. Millen and Robert Bradley.

From Fayetteville Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. N. T. Bowden and Joseph Evans.

From Wilmington Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. D. B. Black, H. A. Munroe, Colin Shaw. J. M. Sprunt, B. F. Marable, H. L. Singleton and N. Z. Graves.

From Mecklenburg Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. R. H. Morrison, D.D., J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, W. N. Morrison, William Graves, J. F. W. Freeman, T. E. Davis, J. S. Barr, William McDonald and J. J. Kennedy.

7. Read the statistical reports of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg Presbyteries.

8. Appoint the following standing committees:

1. On Bills and Overtures.
2. Judicial Committee.
3. On the Records of Orange Presbytery.
4. On the Records of Concord Presbytery.
5. On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery.
6. On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery.
7. On the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery.
8. To prepare an address to the Churches on the state of religion within the bounds of the Synod.
9. On devotional exercises.
10. On the Treasurer's account.
11. On the Minutes of the General Assembly.
12. On Union Theological Seminary.
13. On the report of the Trustees of Synod.
14. On leave of absence.

9. Read the narrative of Orange Presbytery on the state of religion.

10. Read the narrative of Concord Presbytery on the state of religion.

11. Read the narrative of Fayetteville Presbytery on the state of religion.

12. Read the narrative of Wilmington Presbytery on the state of religion.

13. Read the narrative of Mecklenburg Presbytery on the state of religion.

14. Read report of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

15. The term of office of the 4th class of Directors of Union Theological Seminary expires at this meeting of the Synod, viz: Rev. J. H. Smith, Rev. H. G. Hill, and Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson, Ruling-Elder.

16. Absentees at the calling of the roll at the close of the last session. (See Minutes of the 58th session.)

17. Read the report of Orange Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

18. Read the report of Concord Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

19. Read the report of Fayetteville Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

20. Read the report of Wilmington Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

21. Read the report of Mecklenburg Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

22. Read the report of the Trustees of Synod.

23. Read the report of the Treasurer of Synod.

24. Report of the Agent of Sustentation, Rev. J. M. Sherwood.

25. Report of the Agent of Education, Rev. Neill McKay, D.D.

26. Report of the Agent of Foreign Missions, Rev. R. Z. Johnston.

27. Report of the Agent of Publication, Rev. J. H. Smith.

28. Report of the Agent of Sabbath-Schools, Rev. L. C. Vass.

29. Shall the Minutes of Synod be printed and how many copies?

30. Statistical report of Synod to the General Assembly.

31. Time and place of the next meeting of Synod.

32. Call the roll at the close of the session.

33. Close with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

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CHARLOTTE, N. C., Oct. 9, 1872.

The Synod of North Carolina met according to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by Rev. J. P. McPherson, Moderator, from Ezekiel, 33d ch. and 7th v.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer.

The roll of Ministers and Churches was called, and the following members were found to be present:

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—Jacob Doll, A. Currie, P. H. Dalton, J. H. Smith, D.D., F. H. Johnston, L. C. Vass and E. H. Harding.

Ruling-Elders—Dr. J. A. McLean and Lyndon Swaim.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—Jesse Rankin, Thomas P. Johnston, E. F. Rockwell, Thomas N. Paxton, S. C. Pharr, D.D., J. Rumple, D. A. Penick, William W. Pharr, W. A. Wood, J. B. Mack and L. McKinnon.

Ruling-Elders—John M. Black, R. W. Allison, W. J. Martin, J. J. Summerell, Thomas McConnell, D. Creswell, E. Rice, J. H. Hill and A. J. Seagle.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—Hector McLean, J. P. McPherson, A. McMillan, Martin McQueen, J. H. Coble, David Fairley, K. M. McIntyre and Joseph Evans.

Ruling-Elders—W. J. Smith, A. A. McLean, D. N. McIntosh and John McKellar.

PRESBYEERY OF WILMINGTON.

Minister—A. F. Dickson.

Ruling-Elders—Dr. C. T. Murphy and S. Northrop.

PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

Ministers—John Douglas, N. Shotwell, R. H. Chapman, D.D., D. McNeill Turner, D.D., Walter W. Pharr, J. C. Williams, A. W. Miller, D.D., G. D. Parks, R. Z. Johnston,

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R. B. Anderson, W. B. Corbett, W. McDonald and W. H. Davis.

Ruling-Elders—W. J. Bowen, John Walker, E. C. Kuykendall, R. S. White, A. B. Davidson, William Clark, William Caldwell, W. H. Michal, W. B. Carson and D. H. Hill.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—Geo. W. Ferrill, E. Hines, A. G. Hughes, S. A. Stanfield, Thomas U. Faucette, J. M. Atkinson, D. E. Jordan, D. Lacy, D.D., J. C. Alexander, C. N. Morrow, C. Phillips, D.D., C. H. Wiley, W. B. Tidball, H. B. Pratt, W. C. Smith, P. T. Penick and John W. Primrose.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—Daniel Lindley, G. M. Gibbs, S. C. Millen, R. L. Beall and Robert Bradley.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—Neill McKay, D.D., D. D. McBryde, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen, H. G. Hill, M. McNair and A. N. Ferguson.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

Ministers—D. B. Black, H. A. Munroe, Colin Shaw, Jas. M. Sprunt, S. C. Alexander, B. F. Marable, S. H. Isler, James Kelly, N. Z. Graves, H. B. Burr, A. McFadyen and A. Kirkland.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

Ministers—R. H. Morrison, D.D., Robert Burwell, J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, William N. Morrison, William Graves, J. F. W. Freeman, Thomas E. Davis, Jacob Hood, J. J. Kennedy and D. T. Towles.

Rev. Arnold W. Miller, D.D., was elected Moderator, and Rev. Messrs. F. H. Johnston and J. B. Mack temporary Clerks.

On motion, it was resolved to spend the first half-hour of each morning's session in devotional exercises.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

THURSDAY, OCT. 10, 1872.

The Synod met according to adjournment and spent the first half-hour in devotional exercises.

The following Ministers appeared in Synod and were enrolled, and their excuses for tarniness sustained, viz: Rev. Messrs. Hines, Hughes, Penick and Jordan, from the Presbytery of Orange: Rev. G. M. Gibbs, from the Presbytery of Concord; Rev. Messrs. H. G. Hill and A. N. Ferguson, from the Presbytery of Fayetteville, and Rev. J. J. Kennedy, from the Presbytery of Mecklenburg.

The following Ruling-Elders appeared, and after rendering satisfactory reasons for tardiness, took their seats, viz: From the Presbytery of Orange: Messrs. Wm. B. Carter, A. Hargrave and W. F. Thom. From the Presbytery of Concord: E. W. Kimmons. From the Presbytery of Fayetteville: Jas. D. McIver. From the Presbytery of Wilmington: W. N. Whitted. From the Presbytery of Mecklenburg: Messrs. S. M. Banks, W. R. Holland and R. I. McDowell.

Rev. T. E. Peck, D.D., and Rev. Messrs. Alexander Martin, S. Taylor Martin and E. D. Jenkin, of the Synod of Virginia, and Rev. T. L. DeVeaux, of the Synod of Georgia, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

On motion, the reading of the Minutes of the last meeting of Synod was dispensed with.

Rev. S. H. Isler, of the Presbytery of Wilmington, appeared in Synod, and after giving satisfactory reasons for tardiness, took his seat.

Rev. Messrs. D. E. Jordan, Jesse Rankin, Joseph Evans, William McDonald and J. J. Kennedy rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of Synod.

The statistical reports from the Presbyteries were read and are as follows:

THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of twenty-four Ministers, and have under their care fifty-one Churches,

one Licentiate and thirteen Candidates: that on the 17th day of October, 1871, they ordained Mr. James William Shearer, a Licentiate, to the full work of the ministry as an Evangelist: that on the same day they ordained Mr. William Cuttino Smith, a Licentiate, to the full work of the ministry, and on the same day installed him Pastor of the Church of Hillsboro'; that on the 6th day of December, 1871, they received Rev. Peter Tinsley Penick on certificate from Montgomery Presbytery, and on the same day installed him Pastor of the Mebaneville Church; that on the 31st day of December, 1871, they organized the Church of Durham, in Orange County, N. C.; that on the 6th day of April, 1872, they licensed Charles Montgomery Payne, M. D., to preach the Gospel as a probationer; that on the 8th day of April, 1872, they ordained Mr. John W. Primrose, a Licentiate, to the full work of the ministry as an Evangelist; that they have divided the territory of the Presbytery into two fields, the Eastern and the Western; that they have employed Rev. John W. Primrose as an Evangelist in the Eastern field, on a salary of nine hundred dollars per annum; that they have directed Mr. Charles M. Payne, a Licentiate, to labor in the Western field, on a salary of seven hundred dollars; that on the 7th day of September, 1872, they dismissed Rev. James W. Shearer, at his own request, to join the Presbytery of Nashville: that on the same day they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. William C. Smith and the Church of Hillsboro'; and that their next stated meeting will be held in the town of Washington, N. C., on Thursday before the 1st Sabbath in April, 1873, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

Sept. 28, 1872.

THE PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

The Presbytery of Concord report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 16 Ministers, and have under their care 32 Churches, 4 Licentiates, and 9 Candidates; that on the 18th day of April, 1872, they received on certificate from Wilmington Presbytery the Rev. Luther McKinnon; that on the 22d day of April they licensed Messrs. Romulus M. Tuttle, Branch G. Clifford, John W. Rosebro and William H. Davis to preach the Gospel as probationers for the holy ministry; that on the 1st day of May, 1872, they installed Rev. L. McKinnon Pastor of the Church of Concord town; that on the 19th day of September, 1872, they transferred, at his own request, W. H. Davis, Licentiate, to the care of Mecklenburg Presbytery; and that their next stated meeting will be held at Third Creek Church, Rowan County, on Thursday before the third Sabbath of April, 1873.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM W. PHARR, Stated Clerk.

Mt. Mourne, Oct. 1872.

THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that at present they consist of sixteen Ministers, and have under their care three Licentiates, forty-six Churches, and nine Candidates for the ministry; that on the 23d day of November, 1871, they lost by death Rev. Hector

McNeill; that on the 6th day of January, 1872, they lost by death Rev. John M. Sherwood; that on the 13th day of April, 1872, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. John H. Coble and Centre Church, and declared said Church vacant; that on the 15th day of April, 1872, they licensed Mr. Laughlin W. Currie to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy ministry; that on the 5th day of June, 1872, they licensed Mr. John McAden Rose to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy ministry; and that on the 5th day of September, 1872, they licensed Mr. William James McKay to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy ministry.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Bethesda Church, Sept. 6, 1872.

THE PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they number at present 13 Ministers, and have under their care 28 Churches, 2 Licentiates, and 5 Candidates; that on the 8th day of September, 1871, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. James Kelly and the Churches of Brown Marsh and Mount Horeb; that on the 12th day of October they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. H. L. Singleton and the First Church of Wilmington; that on the same day, at his own request, they dismissed Rev. H. L. Singleton to join the Presbytery of Chesapeake; that on the 13th day of October S. H. Isler, Chairman of Committee of Presbytery, reported that they had organized a Church near Pollocksville, to be called the Seminary Church; that on the 30th day of December, at his own request, they dismissed Rev. L. McKinnon to join the Presbytery of Concord; that on the 1st day of June, 1872, they received Rev. A. F. Dickson from the Presbytery of New Orleans, and on the following day installed him Pastor of the First Church, Wilmington; and that their next stated meeting will be held at Keith Church, on Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in March, 1873.

By order of Presbytery.

JAMES M. SPRUNT, Stated Clerk

Sept. 14, 1872.

THE PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg report to the Synod of North Carolina:

1. That they consist of 23 Ministers, and have under their care 38 Churches, 2 Licentiates, and 3 Candidates.

2. That on the 29th day of August, 1872, they received from the Presbytery of South Carolina Rev. D. McNeill Turner, D.D., and on the 30th day of August, 1872, they received from the Presbytery of Holston Rev. D. T. Towles, and on the 11th day of April, 1872, they received from the Presbytery of Harmony Rev. William B. Corbett.

3. That on the 12th day of October, 1871, they dismissed to the Presbytery of Nashville Rev. H. H. Banks, and on the 11th April, 1872, Rev. J. F. W. Freeman to the Presbytery of Arkansas, and on the 30th August, 1872, Rev. R. Burwell to the Presbytery of Orange.

4. That on the 29th August, 1872, they dissolved the Church of Beulah, and directed the members to attach themselves to the Church of Hiwassee.

5. That they licensed Mr. James Walter Surry to preach the Gospel on the 12th April, 1872; Mr. George Summey on the 31st August, 1872, and changed the name of Flat Creek Church to Red Oak Church.

6. That they lost by death Rev. J. Scott Barr on the 2d February, 1872.

7. That they installed Rev. William B. Corbett Pastor of the Asheville Church on the 1st of September, 1872.

8. That they received from the Presbytery of Concord, on the 8th October, 1872, Mr. William H. Davis, a Licentiate, and ordained him to the work of the Evangelist on the same day.

Respectfully submitted.

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk.

The narratives from the several Presbyteries were read, and, on motion, they were referred to the committee to prepare an address to the Churches.

The report of the Trustees of the Union Theological Seminary was read and referred to the committee on the Seminary.

Rev. C. Phillips, D.D., of the Presbytery of Orange, appeared in Synod and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Messrs. Alexander M. McPheeters and W. S. Kirkland, Ruling-Elders from the Presbytery of Orange; Messrs. M. W. Johnston and S. L. Howell, from the Presbytery of Concord, appeared in Synod and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Rev. Robert Burwell, of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg, appeared in Synod and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

The filling of vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Union Theological Seminary, from this Synod, was referred to the committee on the Seminary.

Rev. A. Currie, Rev. M. McQueen, and Mr. S. M. Banks, Ruling-Elder, rendered satisfactory reasons for absence without permission at the calling of the roll at the close of the meeting of the Synod last year.

Rev. Mr. Burkhead, of the M. E. Church, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member of the Synod.

The reports of the several Presbyteries on Systematic Benevolence were read and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

Messrs. Ebenezer McNeely and J. M. Alexander, Ruling-Elders from the Presbytery of Concord, appeared in Synod and were excused for tardiness.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was read, received and referred to the committee on the Treasurer's account.

It was made the order of the day for 4 o'clock this afternoon to hear the report of the Synodical Agent of Publication; for 10 A. M. Friday to hear the report of the Agent for Foreign Missions; for 4 P. M. to hear the report of the Agent of Sustentation; for 10 A. M. Saturday to hear the report of the Agent of Sabbath-Schools.

Rev. H. G. Hill was appointed Synodical Agent of Sustentation, in place of Rev. John M. Sherwood, deceased.

The Stated Clerk was directed to publish one thousand copies of the Minutes of the present meeting of Synod.

The First Church, Wilmington, was chosen as the place, and Wednesday before the 1st Sabbath in November, 1873, at 7½ o'clock P. M., as the time, for the next stated meeting of the Synod.

Rev. Mr. Boone, of the Baptist Church, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees, viz:

1. On Bills and Overtures.—Ministers: James P. McPherson, D. McNeill Turner, D.D., and J. Henry Smith, D.D. Ruling-Elders: Dr. C. T Murphy and A. J. Seagle.

2. Judicial Committee.—Ministers: R. H. Chapman, D.D., A. F. Dickson, L. McKinnon and J. Rumple. Ruling-Elders: W. N. Whitted, J. H. Hill and W. J. Martin.

3. On the Records of Orange Presbytery.—Ministers: Jesse Rankin and E. F. Rockwell. Ruling-Elder: A. A. McLean.

4. On the Records of Concord Presbytery.—Ministers: P. H. Dalton and A. Currie. Ruling-Elder: A. Hargrave.

5. On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery.—Ministers: F. H. Johnston and L. C. Vass. Ruling-Elder: Dr. J. A. McLean.

6. On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery.—Ministers: J. Rumple and D. Fairley. Ruling-Elder: R. W. Allison.

7. On the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery.—Ministers: W. A. Wood and D. Fairley. Ruling-Elder: S. Northrop.

8. To prepare an Address to the Churches on the state of Religion.—Ministers: E. H. Harding and Thos. N. Paxton. Ruling-Elder: Lyndon Swaim.

9. On Devotional Exercises.—Ministers: John Douglas and G. D. Parks. Ruling-Elder: D. H. Hill.

10. On the Treasurer's Account.—Minister: H. G. Hill. Ruling-Elders: S. Northrop and Dr. J. J. Summerell.

11. On the Minutes of the General Assembly.—Ministers: D. A. Penick and P. H. Dalton. Ruling-Elder: W. J. Martin.

12. On Union Theological Seminary.—Ministers: D. E. Jordan and P. H. Dalton. Ruling-Elder: W. J. Smith.

13. On the Report of the Trustees of Synod.—Minister: H. G. Hill. Ruling-Elders: J. M. Black and Dr. C. T. Murphy.

14. On Leave of Absence.—Ministers: L. C. Vass and Thomas N. Paxton. Ruling-Elder: Ebenezer McNeely.

Letters giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting were received from Rev. Messrs. T. U. Faucette, Joseph M. Atkinson and James M. Sprunt.

Rev. S. C. Alexander, of the Presbytery of Wilmington, appeared in Synod and was excused for tardiness.

Rev. Robert Burwell presented excuses for absence from the present meeting for Rev. D. Lacy, D.D., which were sustained.

A paper containing a complaint of Rev. Walter W. Pharr, Dr. E. Nye Hutchison and others, against certain action of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg, was read and referred to the Judicial Committee.

On motion, the hours of sessions of the Synod were fixed as follows: Morning sessions from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M.; Evening sessions from 3 P. M. to 5 P. M.

On motion, Rev. Jacob Doll, Rev. F. H. Johnston and Dr. N. M. Roan, Ruling-Elder, were appointnd a committee to collect the Standing Rules of the Synod and report at the next meeting.

Rev. P. A. Stroebel, of the Lutheran Church, Agent of the American Bible Society for the State of North Carolina, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and to address the Synod on the subject of his Agency to-morrow evening at 3 o'clock.

The Stated Clerk presented the following statistical report of the Synod to the General Assembly, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. STATES.

The Synod of North Carolina reports to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, that it consists of five Presbyteries, and and that these Presbyteries consist in whole of 93 Ministers, having under their care 195 Churches, 12 Licentiates and 39 Candidates, viz:

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.
Orange,	25	51	1	13
Concord,	16	32	4	9
Fayetteville,	16	46	3	9
Wilmington,	13	28	2	5
Mecklenburg,	23	38	2	3
Total,	93	195	12	39

The Synod further reports, that its next stated meeting will be held in Wilmington, N. C., on the Wednesday before the first Sabbath in November, 1873, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

Charlotte, N. C., October 10, 1872.

Rev. J. Henry Smith, D.D., Synodical Agent of Publication, read his report, which was received and the following resolution appended to the report was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Synod of North Carolina heartily recommends to all the Presbyteries composing this Synod, that may not already have taken such action,

1. To direct that at least one-half of the moneys raised for Publication and sent to Richmond be specially appropriated to the completion of the Endowment Fund. and that this resolution continue in force until the fund be completed.

2. To employ a Colporteur to circulate the Books of our Publication Committee within their respective limits.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCT. 11, 1872.

The Synod met according to adjournment and spent half an hour in devotional exercises.

Rev. W. C. Smith, of the Presbytery of Orange; Rev. B. L. Beall, of the Presbytery of Concord, and Rev. Thomas E. Davis, of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg, appeared in Synod and were excused for tardiness.

Messrs. E. W. Faucette, Ruling-Elder from the Presby-

tery of Concord, and J. S. McArthur, Ruling-Elder from the Presbytery of Fayetteville, were enrolled and excused for tardiness.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, amended and approved.

A letter was received from Rev. James C. Alexander, of Orange Presbytery, giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting.

Rev. J. L. Wilson, D.D., of the Synod of South Carolina, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Agent of Foreign Missions, read his report, which was accepted, and, on motion, the consideration of certain suggestions contained in the report was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

Rev. J. L. Wilson, D.D., then addressed the Synod, by invitation, on the subject of Foreign Missions.

Rev. Messrs. H. G. Hill and J. H. Coble, with Ruling-Elder D. Bethune, were appointed to prepare a minute with reference to the death of Rev. J. M. Sherwood.

Rev. Messrs. J. P. McPherson and Hector McLean, with Ruling-Elder D. Bethune, were appointed to prepare a minute in reference to the death of Rev. Hector McNeill.

Rev. Messrs. R. Z. Johnston and G. D. Parks, with Ruling-Elder W. H. Michal, were appointed a committee to prepare a minute with reference to the death of Rev. J. Scott Barr.

The committee on Union Theological Seminary made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Trustees of Union Theological Seminary respectfully present the following report:

We again find cause for thankfulness to the Great Head of the Church for the continued prosperity bestowed upon this favored institution.

The chief matters for rejoicing may be summed up under the following heads:

1. The number of students; showing the interest of the Church in the Seminary.

2. Increase in funds.

3. Additions to Library.

4. Diligence and zeal among the students in preparing for the work of the Gospel Ministry.

Rev. L. McKinnon, of this Synod, was absent from the last meeting of the Board and is not reported excused.

We recommend that he be now called on for his excuse.

We also recommend that Rev. J. H. Smith, D.D., Rev. H. G. Hill and Dr. E. Nye Hutchison be appointed Directors from this Synod, to serve four years from this date.

The Trustees complain that some of the students every year leave the Seminary to attend the Spring meetings of their Presbyteries, and do not return to complete their course.

We recommend that our Presbyteries be directed to take steps to correct this evil.

Rev. L. McKinnon then rendered a satisfactory reason for absence from the last meeting of the Board of Trustees of Union Theological Seminary.

Rev. L. McKinnon resigned his office of Director of Union Theological Seminary, which resignation was accepted, and Rev. A. F. Dickson was appointed in his place.

The committee on the records of the Presbytery of Fayetteville reported that they had examined these records and recommend their approval. This report was adopted and the committee discharged.

Tho order appointing 10 A. M. on Saturday as the time for hearing the report of Rev. L. C. Vass, Agent of Sabbath-Schools, was reconsidered. Whereupon the report was read, received, and the recommendation of the Agent adopted, viz:

That the Presbyteries be urged to appoint Sabbath-School Agents to stimulate the Churches to greater diligence in this work, and to gather full and accurate statistics. This Agent should see that every Church Session is provided with proper blanks annually for their reports.

The committee on the records of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg reported that they had examined them, and recommend their approval. This report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The committee on the records of the Presbytery of Orange reported that they had examined the same, and recommend their approval. This report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The committee on the records of the Presbytery of Wilmington made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The committee appointed to examine the Minutes of Wilmington Presbytery report that they have discharged the duty assigned, and recommend their approval as far as written, with the following exceptions:

1. On pages 228 and 248 there are Minutes of two *pro re nata* meetings, while it does not appear that said meetings were constitutionally called, according to chapter x, sec. 10, Form of Government.

2. On page 228 it appears that Rev. L. McKinnon was dismissed at a *pro re nata* meeting, while it is not specified that said dismissal was one of the objects mentioned in the call.

3. On page 228 it appears that a ruling-elder was received as a member of Presbytery by vote of the body. If said ruling-elder was duly appointed, it was irregular to receive him by vote. If he was not regularly appointed, the vote of the Presbytery could not constitute him a member of Presbytery.

4. On the same page the Presbytery is represented as adjourning without hearing and approving its Minutes.

The order of the day was then taken up, when Mr. Stroebel addressed the Synod in the interests of the Bible cause: and after the address the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we have heard with interest the address of Rev. P. A Stroebel, Agent of the American Bible Society, and that we assure him of our earnest prayers for him in his great work; and we recommend the American Bible Society to the renewed and continued confidence and support of our Churches.

The committee on the records of the Presbytery of Concord made a report recommending their approval. This report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Synod empower the Presbytery of Wilmington to meet to-night, at 7½ o'clock, in the basement of the Church, for the purpose of examining and licensing Mr. S. H. Bell, if the way be open.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, Rev. H. G. Hill, Synodical Agent of Sustentation, made his report, which was accepted and approved.

Rev. J. L. Wilson, D.D., then addressed the Synod on the subject of Sustentation.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCT, 12, 1872.

The Synod met according to adjournment and spent the first half-hour in devotional exercises.

The roll was called and the Minutes of yesterday were approved.

The committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made a report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee appointed to examine the Minutes of the General Assembly beg leave to report, that they have attended to the duty assigned them and find nothing therein calling for special action by the Synod.

On page 166 there is a recommendation "That the third Thursday of November next be observed as a day of special thanksgiving to God for His mercies to us as a Church, and of humiliation and earnest supplication to God for an abundant outpouring of His Spirit on all our pastors and congregations."

We recommend that said day be observed in all our Churches by appropriate religious services.

The committee appointed to prepare an address to the Churches made a report, which was accepted, adopted, ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes and to be read by Pastors and Stated Supplies to their Churches.

Rev. Hugh McLees, of the Synod of South Carolina, and Rev. Mr. Holcombe, of the M. E. Church, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

The committee appointed to prepare a minute with reference to the death of Rev. John M. Sherwood made a report, which was accepted and adopted, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to send a copy of the minute to the family of the deceased.

The committee appointed to prepare a minute with reference to the death of Rev. J. Scott Barr made a report, which was accepted and adopted, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to send a copy of the minute to the family of the deceased.

The committee on Bills and Overtures reported that no business had come into their hands, and asked to be discharged. This report was accepted, and the committee discharged.

The following preamble and resolution were adopted, viz:

Whereas, we have heard, through the public prints, that an effort is making to place the North Carolina Presbyterian on a firm financial basis, and to make it more useful: therefore

Resolved, That the Synod looks with peculiar interest and pleasure upon the movement and recommends it to the liberality of our people.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the Sy-

nod proceeded to the consideration of the subject of Foreign Missions.

Rev. P. H. Dalton led the Synod in prayer, after which Rev. J. L. Wilson, D.D., the General Assembly's Secretary for Foreign Missions, and others, addressed the meeting. Rev. D. E. Jordan then led the Synod in prayer.

On motion, the report of the Judicial Committee was made the first order of the day for this afternoon.

The committee appointed to prepare a minute with reference to the death of the Rev. Hector McNeill made a report, which was accepted, approved, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to send a copy of the minute to the family of the deceased.

On motion, leave of absence was given from the remaining sessions of Synod to Rev. Messrs. McDonald, Ferguson and S. C. Pharr, D.D., and to Ruling-Elders R. S. White and R. W. Allison.

The committee on leave of absence made the following report, which was accepted and approved, viz:

Your committee would respectfully report to the Synod, that they have granted, on satisfactory reasons presented to them during your sessions, leave of absence to the following members:

Ministers – Hector McLean, J. H. Coble, A. McMillan, K. M. McIntyre, J. C. Williams, T. P. Johnston, T. E. Davis, John Douglas, J. P. McPherson, Joseph Evans, E. F. Rockwell, S. C. Alexander and L. C. Vass.

Ruling-Elders—Lyndon Swaim, Dr. C. T. Murphy, E. W. Kimmons, D. N. McIntosh, Thomas E. Connell, A. C. Kuykendall, J. M. Alexander, Dr. J. J. Summerell, J. D. McIver, H. J. Seagle, W. S. Kirkland, E. Rice, Alfred Hargrave, M. W. Johnston, Ebenezer McNeely, D. Creswell, W. J. Bowen, W. J. Martin, R. I. McDowell, S. L. Howell and John Walker.

Your committee would respectfully state to the Synod, that most of the brethren excused left on Saturday morning or at 3 o'clock on Saturday afternoon. A large number of them were granted leave of absence because of personal sickness, or sickness in their families or congregations.

The Judicial Committee presented, through Rev. A. F. Dickson, a report on the complaint of Rev. Walter W. Pharr and others against the Presbytery of Mecklenburg.

On motion, it was postponed to the next meeting of Synod, and made the second order of the day for the second day of that meeting.

The committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod reported that no papers had been placed in their hands.

On motion, this report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Rev. Messrs. J. H. Smith, D.D., F. H. Johnston, D. A. Penick, E. Hines, A. Currie, W. W. Pharr, and Ruling-Elder A. M. McPheeters, obtained leave of absence from the remaining sessions of the Synod.

Rev. J. B. Mack was appointed to preach in the Methodist Church to-night.

The committee on the Treasurer's account made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee on the Treasurer's account report, that they have examined that account and the accompanying vouchers and find them correct.

They recommend that the Treasurer be instructed to notify the Treasurers of delinquent Presbyteries of their indebtedness and to urge immediate payment, and that the assessments of the past year be adopted for the ensuing one, viz:

Orange Presbytery,	for the year	1873,	$65 00
Concord Presbytery,	ditto	ditto,	37 50
Fayetteville Presbytery,	ditto	ditto,	40 00
Wilmington Presbytery,	ditto	ditto,	25 00
Mecklenburg Presbytery,	ditto	ditto,	37 50
			$205 00

A communication from R. Y. McAden, Esq., Vice President of the A. and R. Air Line Railroad, was received. Whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod gratefully acknowledges the courtesy of President McAden in inviting this body to an excursion on his road on Monday next, and as far as possible the members who may remain will be pleased to accept the same.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to notify the Trustees of Synod that they make a full report to the next meeting in Wilmington, and that a failure to do so without good reasons will afford grounds of censure.

The following resolutions were adopted:

1. Resolved, That the thanks of the Synod are due and are hereby tendered to the officers and members of this Church, and to the citizens of Charlotte, for the kind and Christian hospitality extended to members of this body during its present sessions; also to the officers of the Methodist and Baptist Churches in

this city, for the tender of their houses of worship; also to the various Railroad corporations that extended the privilege of half-fare rates of travel.

2. Resolved further, That the above resolution be read from the pulpit by the Pastor of this Church, at his convenience, and that the city papers be requested to publish the same.

The roll was called, when it was found that the following members were absent without permission:

From Orange Presbytery—Rev. William C. Smith. From Concord Presbytery—Mr. J. H. Hill, Ruling-Elder. From Fayetteville Presbytery—Mr. A. A. McLean. From Wilmington Presbytery—Rev. A. F. Dickson and Rev. S. H. Isler. From Mecklenburg Presbytery—Messrs. W. R. Holland and S. M. Banks, Ruling-Elders.

The Minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet in the First Church in Wilmington, N. C., on Wednesday before the first Sabbath in November, 1873, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

ADDRESS OF THE SYNOD

OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH CAROLINA,

To the Churches under its oversight and care.

DEAR BRETHREN: The grace of the Lord Jesus, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.

We give thanks to God for you, Brethren, for the cheering reports that come up to us concerning your steadfastness in the Gospel and growth in many Christian graces. We rejoice to learn that there have been in some of your Churches large and precious revivals; that the people generally attend to the preaching of the Word; that a more general interest is excited upon the subject of Sabbath-Schools; that you are doing more than ever in supporting the evangelistic work of the Church, trying to extend the bounds of our beloved Church, and to preach the Gospel to the destitute; that your liberality increases, and that every year witnesses a deeper sense of your duty on this point. Yet, we call your attention to the fact that some Churches report either none or very few contributions to the benevolent operations of the Church.

While, then, we feel that our beloved Church is still far behind the standard of zeal and faith and consecration to the Lord, we thank God for what has been done, and take courage.

And now, Brethren, we exhort you to consecrate yourselves afresh to the service of God. Remember, ye are not your own; ye are bought with a price, even the precious blood of Christ.

Attend faithfully upon the preaching of the Word, and all other services of the Church. Forget not the prayer-meeting. When you have not regular preaching on the Sabbath, try and keep up some kind of religious service. Let every member of the Church feel that each can and must do something for Jesus. Keep yourselves unspotted from the world. Use your influence in inducing others to attend the preaching of the Word.

Train up your children in the fear of the Lord; pray with them and for them; control them; teach them the doctrines contained in the Catechisms and creeds of our Church, and neglect not the habit of family prayers.

Aid and strengthen, in all ways possible, your Pastor. Pray for him personally, and pray for a blessing on his work among you.

Give liberally to all the benevolences of the Church. We are lengthening our cords and strengthening our stakes. We need more money to carry on our work. Young men are waiting to be put into fields, at home and abroad. Brethren, help us to send them.

And now, Brethren, abstain from all appearance of evil; walk worthy of your high vocation wherewith ye are called; remember, ye are to let your light shine, and that ye are the salt of the earth.

We bid you God's speed, and invoke upon you, for time and eternity, the blessing of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost.

ARNOLD W. MILLER, Moderator.

Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 12, 1872.

REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE TO THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Orange reports to the Synod of North Carolina the following, as the result of the collections in our Churches for the past year:

Eighteen of our Churches have contributed to all the benevolent objects of our Church the following sums:

To Sustentation,	$571 00
To Foreign Missions,	450 00
To Education,	603 00
To Publication,	191 00
To Invalid Fund,	247 00

Eleven contributed the following sums to four objects, viz:

To Sustentation,	$252 00
To Foreign Missions,	218 00
To Education,	167 00
To Publication,	97 00

Two Churches have contributed to three objects, viz:

To Sustentation,	$11 00
To Foreign Missions,	7 00
To Education,	19 00

One Church to two objects, viz:

To Foreign Missions,	$8 00
To Education,	2 00

One Church to one object, viz:

To Education,	$10 00

Eleven Churches have contributed to none.

By order of Presbytery.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

Madison, N. C., Sept. 7, 1872.

REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Concord respectfully submits to the Synod of North Carolina the following report of their benevolent contributions for the year ending April 1872:

We have under our care 32 Churches. Of these

7	contributed to the		Invalid Fund,	$171 75
18	"	"	Education,	2525 65
21	"	"	Sustentation,	642 92
10	"	"	Publication,	207 14
19	"	"	Foreign Missions,	535 80
16	"	"	Miscellaneous,	442 16
	Total,			$4525 42

Our statistics show that 25 out of our 32 Churches have contributed something to the above objects ordered by the General Assembly, and 7 of them have reported no contributions to any of them.

Our statistics further show an increase of contributions to all the objects or-

dered by the General Assembly, save that of Sustentation, amounting in the aggregate to $1400. Respectfully submitted.

WM. W. PHARR. Stated Clerk.

Mt. Mourne, Oct. 1872.

REPORT OF FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports to the Synod of North Carolina on Systematic Benevolence, for the six months ending April 1st, 1872, as follows:

Objects.	Number Congregations.	Amount.
Relief Fund,	6	$49 30
Education,	31	280 50
Sustentation,	25	258 59
Publication,	19	130 10
Foreign Missions,	21	187 28
Total for six months,		$905 77
For five months ending Sept. 1st, 1872:		
Foreign Missions,	28	326 22
Education,	21	221 59
Publication,	17	97 32
Sustentation,	11	81 24
Disabled Ministers, &c.	10	46 54
Evangelist Fund,	1	12 00
Total for eleven months,		$1690 68

Included in the above is the *special* collection for Education ordered by the Assembly—$144 67, from 13 Churches.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Bethesda Church, Sept. 6, 1872.

REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully reports to the Synod of North Carolina: That this great department of Christian duty and devotion is decidedly more hopeful now than at any previous point in our history as a Church. The contributions of our Churches to all the benevolent objects are steadily and surely on the increase. Thirteen of our 28 Churches have contributed to *all* the objects of benevolence; only one Church has failed to give anything; only four have given to but two of them; while the contributions of some of our Churches have increased nearly 100 per cent. within the last year.

It appears from the Treasurer's report, that the Churches of this Presbytery have contributed, through him, during the past year:

To Sustentation,	$711 50
To Publication,	110 95
To Education,	216 67
To Foreign Missions,	177 42
To Disabled Ministers,	73 30

To Contingent Fund,	182 50
	$1472 34

By order of Presbytery.

JAS. M. SPRUNT, Stated Clerk.

September 14, 1872.

REPORT OF MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg makes the following report to the Synod of North Carolina:

Objects.	No. of contributing Congregations.	Amount.
Relief Fund for disabled Ministers,	——	——
Education,	13	$370
Sustentation,	21	1778
Publication,	15	235
Foreign Missions,	16	349
Miscellaneous,	17	3042
Total,		$5774

No congregation has contributed to all the objects: 12 have contributed to four of them; 7 to two of them; 3 to one of them; 13 to none.

REMARKS: Something has been done for disabled Ministers, but not reported properly. The Churches reported as not contributing to any object are feeble and some have only a nominal existence.

The average salary of Ministers, with one exception, is less than five hundred dollars per annum

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, VA.

Annual Report of the Trustees to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. States, and to the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia

The Trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, (who are also Directors,) respectfully submit to the General Assembly, and to the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia, this their Annual Report,

The annual meeting was held on the 7th and 8th days of May, 1872, and was unusually full; nineteen, of the twenty-three members, were present. Messrs L. McKinnon, W. T. Richardson, A. G. McIlwaine and C. L. Peyton were absent.

When we review the past history of the Seminary, and consider its present condition, we have great cause to thank God and to take courage.

Sixty-two students, representing ten of the United States, have been attending the instructions of this Institution during the past year. Twenty of this number have finished the course of study prescribed by the Constitution. This is the largest number which has ever graduated at any one period of our history.

The reports of the Examining Committee give gratifying evidence of the commendable fidelity of the Faculty, and diligence on the part of the students

Valuable additions have been made to the Library during the past year, and eight thousand three hundred and thirty volumes, of well-selected standard works, are on the shelves.

The finances are in a healthy and prosperous condition. With devout gratitude to Him from whom all blessings flow, we record the fact that thirty thousand dollars in public securities were added to the permanent funds, in September ast, by a generous donation of Mr. Henry Young, of New York.

Further details will be appended by the Secretary.

By order of the Board.

WILLIAM BROWN, President

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF THE TRUSTEES OF U. T. SEMINARY,
At Farmville, Va., May 10, 1872.

To the Rev. the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, and of the Synods of North Carolina and of Virginia:

GENTLEMEN: I respectfully transmit, herewith, the annual report of our Corporation. An unusual amount of business engaged the attention of the Trustees, at their annual meeting, and their deliberations were extended to a late hour. It was impracticable to make, what was desired, a fuller report. At the special instance and request of President Brown and others, that I would append such details and facts as might be pertinent and acceptable to the Church, I address you this informal communication in behalf of the Corporation.

The official corps consists of the following gentlemen:

Rev. Wm. Brown, D.D., President; Rev. J. Rumple and A. G. McIlwaine, Esq., Vice Presidents; F. N. Watkins, (Farmville, Va.,) Treasurer and Secretary; Drs. Brown and Charles H. Read, Messrs. E. N. Hutchison, A. G. McIlwaine, E. M. Armstrong, Executive Committee; Messrs. Armstrong and Summey, Auditors; Messrs. Pharr, Hill, Summey, C. White, Martin and Armstrong, Examining Committee; Rev. B. M. Smith, Librarian; Rev. T. E. Peck, Intendant; Rev. R. L. Dabney, Clerk to the Faculty. The Post Office address of the Faculty and students is *Hampden Sidney, Va.;* that of the Treasurer and Secretary is *Farmville, Va.*

The Faculty is composed of the following Professors, viz: Rev. R. L. Dabney, D.D., Rev. B. M. Smith, D.D., Rev. T. E. Peck, D.D., and Rev. H. C. Alexander, D.D.

The sixty-two students of the Collegiate year 1871-2, were citizens of the following States, viz: 22 from Virginia, 14 from North Carolina, 8 from Tennessee, 4 from Kentucky, 3 from Missouri, 2 from Texas, 1 from Maryland, 6 from West Virginia, 1 from Alabama, 1 from Mississippi.

The graduating class were Messrs. H. M. Anderson, Missouri; J. Boyle, Kentucky; J. C. Canon, Virginia; G. L. Cocke, Virginia; L. W. Currie, North Carolina; W. H. Davis, North Carolina; W. C. Dyer, Missouri; E. C. Gordon, Virginia; A. T. Graybill, Virginia; C. L. Hogue, Kentucky; J. C. Painter, Virginia; C. M. Payne, North Carolina; W. N. Scott, West Virginia; A. C. Snoddy, Tennessee; R. M. Tuttle, North Carolina; J. S. Watkins, Virginia; F. B. Webb, Alabama; E. L. Wilson, West Virginia; W. Irvine, Kentucky.

The Corporation holds the following securities, as investments and cash, as appears by the Treasurer's annual balance sheet:

State of Virginia 6's,	$135,195 00

" " North Carolina, (part loaned.)	19,147 00
" " Georgia,	12,000 00
McCormick bond,	30,000 00
Des Moines Valley R. R.,	1,000 00
Nashville bond,	1,000 00
Richmond and Danville R. R. bonds,	5,000 00
Southside R. R. bonds,	5,000 00
St. Louis and Iron Mountain,	1,000 00
Orange and Alexandria R. R.,	3,500 00
Orange and Manassas Gap R. R.,	1,400 00
Richmond City,	5,000 00
Central R. R.,	4,000 00
Erie and Pittsburgh R. R.,	700 00
Individual bonds,	1,047 50
Cash balance,	4,406 53
Long Island Bank, 7 shares,	350 00
Unproductive R. R. shares, valued at	100 00
	$229,846 03

A portion of these investments are, for the present, unproductive of revenues, yet a sufficiency of income was received, during the fiscal year ending 1st May, to meet the salaries and current expenses. In addition to salaries of Professors, and expenses for repairs, &c., the Treasury is responsible for interest and cash on $55,958 52 to the Library and Library Hall, Scholarship and small accounts, (such as Directors' expenses,) and incidental expenses, such as small salaries to Assistant Librarian and Intendant.

The securities and cash being	$229,846 03
Deducting therefrom amount due Scholarships, Library, &c.,	55,958 52
Will approximate the investments,	173,887 51

We have thirteen, complete and incomplete, Scholarships, varying from $4,000 to $100. Authority was given to the Treasurer to consolidete those which are incomplete. Within the past few days I have received notice, from the executor of the late Mrs. Rebecca C. Park, of Kentucky, of a bequest by her of one thousand dollars, to found the "Park Scholarship." By the aid of the accruing revenue, from these Scholarships, young men, who could not otherwise prosecute their professional studies, are sent out from the Seminary, from time to time, into fields of usefulness, and render valuable services to the Church.

The Trustees gave due consideration to several subjects, having reference to the comfort and convenience of the students of the next collegiate year, commencing on the 9th September, 1872.

The attention of Presbyteries concerned is especially invited to the following minute, which I am instructed to communicate to them, viz:

The Trustees and Directors of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia would beg leave respectfully to represent to the Presbyteries having candidates for the ministry in this institution, that, in each year, and at periods varying from one month to two months, (usually near the close of the collegiate year,) students

have been in the habit of leaving the Seminary for the purpose of attending the Spring meetings of Presbyteries, (or for other reasons,) and of not returning to complete the course of instruction, and to pass their examinations. It is needless for the Trustees to say, that it is a serious loss to the students, thus leaving the Seminary, and a serious evil to the institution, by the irregularities which it occasions in its affairs, during a most important portion of their work. The Board will not presume to advise the Presbyteries as to what measures, if any, should be employed to correct the evil; but the Trustees simply submit the above statement of facts for such consideration as the Presbyteries may think proper to give it. Very respectfully,

F. N. WATKINS, Secretary.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

To Synod, at Charlotte, for one year, from October, 1871, to October, 1872:

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Treasurer, balance due him as per last report,	$106 66
Rev. Jacob Doll, salary and account as Stated Clerk,	76 46
Mrs. Sherwood, for printing Minutes of Synod, 1871,	107 00
	$290 12

RECEIPTS.

From Mecklenburg Presbytery, assessments of 1870 and 1871,				$75 00
Concord	"	"	1870 and 1871,	75 00
Wilmington	"	"	1871,	25 00
Orange	"	"	1872,	65 00
Balance due Treasurer,				50 12
				$290 12

Mecklenburg Presbytery is delinquent			$37 50	for 1872.	
Concord	"	"	37 50	"	
Wilmington	"	"	25 00	"	
Fayetteville	"	"	40 00	"	$140 00

Respectfully submitted.

JESSE H. LINDSAY, Treasurer.

Greensboro', October 9, 1872.

MODERATORS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

	MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1813.	Rev. Robert H. Chapman	Alamance Church.
1814.	Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell	Thyatira Church.
1815.	Rev. William McPheeters	Fayetteville.
1816.	Rev. John Robinson	Raleigh.
1817.	No meeting—no quorum present	Rocky River.
1818.	Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D.D.	Fayetteville.
1819.	Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, M.D.	Raleigh.
1820.	Rev. William Paisley	Poplar Tent.
1821.	Rev. John M. Wilson	Salisbury.
1822.	Rev. John Robinson	Hillsboro'.
1823.	Rev. John Witherspoon	Fayetteville.
1824.	Rev. Colin McIver	Statesville.
1825.	Rev. John B. Davis	Greensboro'.
1826.	Rev. William McPheeters, D.D.	Fayetteville.
1827.	Rev. R. H. Morrison, D.D.	Salisbury.
	The Stated Clerk has no record of this and the two succeeding meetings.	
1828.	Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch	Raleigh.
1829.	Rev. John Williamson	Fayetteville.
1830.	Rev. Samuel L. Graham	Hopewell.
1831.	Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich	Hillsboro'.
1832.	Rev. Samuel Williamson	Salisbury.
1833.	Rev. Henry A. Rowland	Wilmington.
1834.	Rev. James W. Douglass	Oxford.
1835.	Rev. Henry N. Pharr	Salisbury.
1836.	Rev. Joseph Brown	Fayetteville.
1837.	Rev. N. H. Harding	Shiloh.
1838.	Rev. Stephen Frontis	Third Creek Church.
1839.	Rev. Daniel A. Penick	Lincolnton.
1840.	Rev. Alexander Wilson, D.D.	Danville, Va.
1841.	Rev. William N. Peacock	Fayetteville.
1842.	Rev. Walter S. Pharr	Poplar Tent.
1843.	Rev. James Phillips	Raleigh.
1844.	Rev. Simeon Colton	Fayetteville.
1845.	Rev. Samuel Williamson	Charlotte.
1846.	Rev. Drury Lacy	Greensboro'.
1847.	Rev. Evander McNair	Fayetteville.
1848.	Rev. Cyrus Johnston	Salisbury.
1849.	Rev. John A. Gretter	Hillsboro'.
1850.	Rev. Adam Gilchrist	Centre.
1851.	Rev. Archibald Baker	Rocky River.
1852.	Rev. William N. Mebane	Danville, Va.
1853.	Rev. Hector McLean	Wilmington.
1854.	Rev. A. L. Watts	Concord.
1855.	Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D.D.	Greensboro'.
1856.	Rev. Neill McKay	Fayetteville.
1857.	Rev. Walter W. Pharr	Charlotte.
1858.	Rev. Jacob Doll	Newbern.
1859.	Rev. F. K. Nash	Wilmington.
1860.	Rev. R. H. Lafferty	Statesville.
1861.	Rev. Edward Hines	Raleigh.
1862.	Rev. John M. Sherwood	Goldsboro'.
1863.	Rev. R. N. Davis	Salisbury.
1864.	Rev. A. G. Hughes	Greensboro'.
1865.	Rev. Colin Shaw	Fayetteville.
1866.	Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D.D.	Charlotte.
1867.	Rev. Archibald Currie	Newbern.
1868.	Rev. D. D. McBryde	Wilmington.
1869.	Rev. Jesse Rankin	Morganton.
1870.	Rev. S. A. Stanfield	Raleigh.
1871.	Rev. James P. McPherson	Fayetteville.
1872.	Rev. Arnold W. Miller	Charlotte.

STATED CLERKS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

1813. Rev. Robert H. Chapman.
1818. Rev. Colin McIver.
1849. Rev. Drury Lacy.
1855. Rev. Archibald Baker.
1859. Rev. Jacob Doll.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY—MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN NORTH CAROLINA.

FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

Rev. J. H. Smith, D.D.
Rev. H. G. Hill.
Dr. E. Nye Hutchison, Ruling Elder. To go out in 1876.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

Rev. J. P. McPherson.
Rev. Walter W. Pharr.
Dr. R. L. Beall, Ruling-Elder. To go out in 1875.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

Rev. A. F. Dickson.
Rev. J. Rumple.
Mr. A. T. Summey, Ruling-Elder. To go out in 1874.

FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

Rev. F. H. Johnston.
Rev. J. M. Atkinson.
Dr. C. T. Murphy, Ruling-Elder. To go out in 1873.

TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

Col. Thomas A. Allison.....Statesville, N. C.
Mr. D. A. Davis.....Salisbury, N. C.
Mr. William F. Cowan.....Statesville, N. C.
Col. John E. Brown.....Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. S. P. Alexander.....Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. John L. Brown.....Charlotte, N. C.

AGENTS OF SYNOD.

Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Agent of Foreign Missions.
Rev. H. G. Hill, Agent of Sustentation.
Rev. Neill McKay, D.D., Agent of Education.
Rev. J. Henry Smith, D.D., Agent of Publication.
Rev. L. C. Vass, Agent of Sabbath-Schools.

TREASURER OF SYNOD.

Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, Greensboro', N. C.

DOCKET

Of the Sixtieth Session of the Synod of North Carolina, to be held in Wilmington, N. C., on Wednesday the 29th day of October, 1873.

1. Prayer.
2. Roll called.
3. Moderator chosen.
4. Temporary Clerks chosen.
5. Minutes read.
6. Absentees from the last meeting of Synod.

FROM ORANGE PRESBYTERY.—Rev. Messrs. G. W. Ferrill, S. A. Stanfield, C. N. Morrow, C. H. Wiley, W. B. Tidball, H. B Pratt and John W. Primrose.

FROM CONCORD PRESBYTERY.—Rev. Messrs. D Lindley, S. C. Millen and Robert Bradley.

FROM FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.—Rev. Messrs. Neill McKay, D.D., D. D. McBryde, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen and M. McNair.

FROM WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.—Rev. Messrs. D. B. Black, H. A. Munroe, C. Shaw, B. F. Marable, James Kelly, N. Z. Graves, H. B. Burr, A. McFadyen and A. Kirkland.

From Mecklenburg Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. R. H. Morrison, D.D., J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, W. N. Morrison, William Graves, J. F. W. Freeman, Jacob Hood and D. T. Towles.

7. Read the statistical reports of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg Presbyteries.

8. Appoint the following standing committees:

1. On Bills and Overtures.
2. Judicial Committee.
3. On the Records of Orange Presbytery.
4. On the Records of Concord Presbytery.
5. On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery.
6. On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery.
7. On the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery.
8. To prepare an address to the Churches on the state of religion within the bounds of the Synod.
9. On Devotional Exercises.
10. On the Treasurer's account.
11. On the Minutes of the General Assembly.
12. On Union Theological Seminary.
13. On the report of the Trustees of Synod.
14. On leave of absence.

9. Read the narrative of Orange Presbytery on the state of religion.

10. Read the narrative of Concord Presbytery on the state of religion.

11. Read the narrative of Fayetteville Presbytery on the state of religion.

12. Read the narrative of Wilmington Presbytery on the state of religion.

13. Read the narrative of Mecklenburg Presbytery on the state of religion.

14. Read the report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

15. The term of office of the 4th class of Directors of Union Theological Seminary expires at this meeting of the Synod, viz: Rev. F. H. Johnston, Rev. J. M. Atkinson, and Dr. C. T. Murphy, Ruling-Elder.

16. Report of the Judicial Committee of last year on the complaint of Rev. Walter W. Pharr and others, to be taken up as the second order of the day on the second day of the session. [See Minutes of 59th session.]

17. Hear the report of the committee on the Standing Rules.

18. Absentees at the calling of the roll at the close of the last session. [See Minutes of 59th session.]

19. Read report of Orange Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

20. Read report of Concord Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

21. Read report of Fayetteville Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

22. Read report of Wilmington Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

23. Read report of Mecklenburg Presbytery on systematic benevolence.

24. Read report of the Trustees of Synod. If they fail to make a full report without good reasons, it will afford ground of censure. [See Min. 59th sess.]

25. Read the report of the Treasurer of Synod.

26. Read the report of the Agent of Sustentation.

27. Read the report of the Agent of Education.

28. Read the report of the Agent of Foreign Missions.

29. Read the report of the Agent of Publication.

30. Read the report of the Agent of Sabbath-Schools.

31. Shall the Minutes of Synod be printed, and how many copies?

32. Statistical report of Synod to the General Assembly.

33. Time and place of next meeting of Synod.

34. Minutes to be read and approved.

35. Call the roll at the close of the session.

36. Close with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

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WILMINGTON, N. C., October 29th, 1873.

The Synod of North Carolina met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. A. W. Miller, D. D., Moderator, from Heb. 12th chap: 28th and 29th verses.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer.

The roll of Ministers and churches was called and the following members were found to be present:

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—Jacob Doll, A. Currie, J. M. Atkinson, P. H. Dalton, J. Henry Smith, D. D., F. H. Johnston, D. E. Jordan, J. C. Alexander, L. C. Vass, P. Tinsley Penick, J. W. Primrose and C. M. Payne.

Ruling Elders—J. C. Cannon, Wm. H. Crow, Jesse H. Lindsay and W. H. Anderson.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—E. F. Rockwell, J. Rumple, William W. Pharr, William A. Wood, J. B. Mack, R. M. Tuttle and S. Taylor Martin.

Ruling Elders—John R. Wilson, D. F. Cannon, William Murdock, A. Leazer and E. A. Perkins.

FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—Hector McLean, James P. McPherson, A. McMillan, A. Baker, H. G. Hill, M. McNair, A. N. Ferguson, K. M. McIntyre and Joseph Evans.

Ruling Elders—H. H. Hodgin, N. A. Currie, A. S. Baker, J. A. McAlister, A. McKay, W. J. Currie, E. Kelly, A. McKethan and Evander McGilvary.

PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

Ministers—D. B. Black, Colin Shaw, James Kelly, H. B. Burr, Alexander Kirkland, J. M. Sprunt, A. McFadyen, S. H. Isler and T. C. Johnston.

Ruling Elders—S. T. Buie, J. L. Corbett, N. Graham, G. S. Carr, W. K. Cromartie, George Chadbourn, R. W. Moore, J. T. Player, Robert McDougal, John D. Currie and John Colville.

PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

Ministers—James E. Morrison, John Douglas, N. Shotwell, Walter W. Pharr, A. W. Miller, D. D., and W. H. Davis.

Ruling Elders—Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson, R. D. Collins, C. N. Hutchinson, John N. Sample and A. T. Summey.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—George W. Ferrill, Edward Harris, S. A. Stanfield, Thomas U. Faucett, D. Lacy, D. D., C. N. Morrow, C. Phillips, D. D., C. H. Wiley, W. B. Tidball, H. B. Pratt, E. H. Harding and Robert Burwell.

ABSENT—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—Jesse Rankin, Daniel Lindley, Thos. P. Johnston, Thomas N. Paxton, G. M. Gibbs, S. C. Millen, B. L. Beall, A. E. Chandler, L. McKinnon and John M. Davis.

ABSENT—FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—Neill McKay, D. D., D. D. McBryde, M. McQueen, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen, John H. Coble, D. Fairley, T. L. DeVeaux and W. S. Lacy.

ABSENT—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—B. Marable, H. A. Monroe, N. Z. Graves and A. F. Dickson.

ABSENT—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—R. H. Morrison, D. D., J. D. Hall, W. N. Morrison, D. McNeill Turner, D. D., R. H. Chapman, D. D., William Graves, Thomas E. Davis, J. C. Williams, Jacob Hood, W. B. Corbett, G. D. Parks, D. T. Towles, R. Z. Johnston, R. B. Anderson, William McDonald, J. E. Kenedy and S. C. Alexander.

Rev. James M. Sprunt, of Wilmington Presbytery was elected Moderator, and Rev. Messrs. L. C. Vass and J. B.

Mack were chosen temporary clerks.

On motion, it was resolved to spend the first half hour of each morning's session in devotional exercises.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING, Oct. 30, 1873.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and spent half an hour in devotional exercises.

The roll was called and the following Ministers and Ruling Elders appeared, gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness and were enrolled, viz: Rev. Messrs. Neill McKay, D. D., Martin McQueen, D. Fairley, James McQueen, William S. Lacy, T. L. DeVeaux and D. D. McBryde, with Ruling Elders A. McKethan and Evander McGilvary of Fayetteville Presbytery, and Rev. H. A. Monroe, of Wilmington Presbytery.

The following ministers being present were invited to sit as corresponding members, viz: Rev. Mr. Burnheim of the Lutheran church, Rev. Richard McIlwaine and Rev. James H. Fitzgerald of the Synod of Virginia, Rev. Daniel McGilvary of the Synod of Albany, and the Rev. J. C. Hiden of the Baptist church, of Wilmington.

The report of the Agent of Sustentation was made the order of the day for 11 o'clock, A. M., and Rev. Richard McIlwaine, Secretary of the General Assembly's Committee of Sustentation and Foreign Missions, was invited to address the Synod at that time on each of these subjects.

The following absentees from the last meeting of Synod presented satisfactory excuses for their absence, viz:

Rev. John W. Primrose, of Orange Presbytery; Rev. Messrs. N. McKay, D. D., D. D. McBryde, James McQueen and M. McNair, of Fayetteville Presbytery; Rev. Messrs. D. B. Black, H. A. Monroe, Colin Shaw, James Kelly, H. B. Burr, A. McFadyen and Alexander Kirkland, of Wilmington Presbytery, and Rev. James E. Morrison. of Mecklenburg Presbytery.

The Statistical reports from the Presbyteries were read and are as follows:

THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange report to the Synod of North Carolina that they consist of 24 Ministers, and have under their care 51 churches, one Licentiate and eleven candidates for the Ministry; that on the 10th day of October, 1872 they received Rev. Robert Burwell from the Presbytery of Mecklenburg; that on the 4th day of April, 1873 they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. P. H. Dalton and Washington Church; that on the 8th day of April, 1873, they licensed Mr. William G. Baird as a candidate for the Ministry; that on the 17th day of April, 1873 they ordained Charles Montgomery Payne, M. D., to the full work of the Ministy, and installed him Pastor of Wentworth church; that on the 15th day of June 1873, they installed Rev. Chas. M. Payne, Pastor of the Church of Madison; that on the same day they lost by death Rev. Anderson G. Hughes; that on the 9th day of October, 1873 they dismissed at his own request, the Rev. William C. Smith, to the Presbytery of South Carolina, and that their next stated meeting will be held in Greensboro', N. C., on Wednesday before the 4th Sabbath in April, 1874 at 7½ o'clock, P. M

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

October 30, 1873.

CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Concord report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 17 Ministers, and have under their care 34 churches, 2 licentiates and 9 candidates; that on the 18th day of October, 1872 they licensed John W. Davis to preach the Gospel as a probationer; that on the same day they ordained R. M. Tuttle, a Licentiate, to the full work of the Ministry, and on the same day installed him Pastor of the Prospect church; that on the 17th day of April, 1873 they transferred J. W. Rosebro, a Licentiate, at his own request, to the care of Lexington Presbytery, Va.; that on the 18th day of March, 1873, they organized the church of "Gibbs' Mission," at Hickory Station, Catawba county; that on the 28th day of May, 1873, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. S. C. Pharr, D. D., and Thyatira church and declared said church vacant; that on the same day they ordained John W. Davis, a Licentiate, to the full work of the Gospel Ministry as an Evangelist; that on the 29th day of May, 1873, they elected Rev. J. B. Mack as an Evangelist, on a salary of $1,500 per annum, to labor in our churches, which he has accepted for the term of six months; that on the same day they received the Rev. S. Taylor Martin on certificate from West Hanover Presbytery, Va.; that on the 9th day of July, 1873 they recived Rev. A. E. Chandler on certificate from Knoxville Presbytery, Tenn.; that on the 27th day of July, 1873, they organized Zion church, in Cabarrus county; that the 19th day of August, 1873, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. D. A. Penick and Poplar Tent church, and dismissed him to Lexington Presbytery, Virginia; that on the 23rd day of August, 1873, they suspended indefinitely the Rev. S. C. Pharr, D. D, from the exercise of the functions of the Ministry, and declared the church of Franklin, of which he

was pastor, vacant; that they have employed a colporteur to distribute the Books of our Committee of Publication among our churches; and that our next semi-annual meeting will be held at Prospect church, on Thursday before the 3rd Sabbath in April, 1874.

WILLIAM W. PHARR, Stated Clerk.

THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that, at present, they consist of 19 Ministers and have under their care 2 Licentiates, 47 churches and 7 candidates for the ministry; that on the 12th day of April, 1873, they licensed Mr. James Albert Smith to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy ministry; that on the 10th day of July, 1873, they received Rev. Archibald Baker by letter from the Presbytery of Florida, that on the same day they received Rev. T. L. DeVeaux, by letter from the same Presbytery; that on the same day they received Rev. William S. Lacy by letter from the Presbytery of Abingdon; that on the 11th day of July, 1873, they licensed Mr. David S. McAlister to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy ministry; that on the 12th day of July, 1873, they installed Rev. Archibald Baker pastor of Centre Church; that on the 9th day of October, 1873 they dismissed Mr. John McAden Rose, a licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of East Hanover; that on the 10th day of October, 1873, they received under their care the recently organized Church of Flat Branch, and on the same day, they dismissed Mr. Lauchlin W. Currie, a licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Montgomery; and that the next meeting of our Presbytery will be held at Ashpole Church, Robeson county, N. C., on Wednesday before the third Sabbath in April, 1874, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Oct. 11th, 1873. J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

THE PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they number 13 ministers and have under their care 28 churches, 4 Licentiates and 3 candidates; that on the 11th day of October, 1872, they licensod S. Henry Bell as a probationer; that on the 30th day of December they received W. H. Groves under their care as a candidate; that on the 20th day of March, 1873, they dismissed at his own request, J. A. Woodburn, a licentiate to the care of the Presbytery of Central Texas; that on the 21st day of March they licensed G. W. McMillan as a probationer, and on the same day received J. J. Hines as a candidate; that on the 22d day of March they dismissed Rev. S. C. Alexander, at his own request to join the Presbytery of Mecklenburg; and on the same day licensed J. J. Hines as a probationer; that on the 25th day of June they licensed W. H. Groves as a probationer, and on the same day dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. A. F. Dickson and the First Church, Wilmington; that on the 2d day of October, they dismissed, at his own request, S. Henry Bell, a licentiate, to the care of the Presbytery of Savannah, Ga.; that on the 3rd day of October they received under their care T. C. Johnston, a licentiate from the Presbytery of New Orleans, and on the following day ordained him to the full work of the Ministry as an Evangelist, and that their next

stated meeting will be held in the First Church, Wilmington on Wednesday before the first Sabbath in April next.

By order of Presbytery,

JAMES M. SPRUNT, Stated Clerk.

Beth-Car Church, October 4th, 1873.

THE PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg report to the Synod of North Carolina,

1. That they consist of 23 Ministers and have under their care 41 churches and 6 candidates.

2. That on the 23rd day of April, 1873, they received the Rev. S. C. Alexander from the Presbytery of Wilmington.

3rd. That on the 24th day of October, 1873, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. N. Shotwell and the church of Little Brittain, and on the 10th day of October, 1872, they dissolved the Pastoral relation between Rev. R. Z. Johnston and the church of Sharon.

4th. That on the 29th day of May, 1873, they licensed Mr. John F. Cannon, and dismissed him to the Presbytery of Chesapeake, and they dismissed Mr. George Summey, a licentiate, to the Presbytery of Memphis on the — of —, 1873, and they dismissed to the Presbytery of Bethel their licentiate Mr. James Walter Query, on the 25th April, 1873.

5th. That on the 16th March they organized a church in Lincoln county, and called it the Paper Mill church, and on the — day of —, 1873, they organized Sand Hill church, in Buncombe county, N. C.

6th. That their next meeting will be held at Hopewell church, Mecklenburg county, on Wednesday before the 3rd Sabbath of April, 1874.

Respectfully submitted,

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk.

October 28th, 1873.

The Narratives from all the Presbyteries were read and referred to the committee appointed to prepare an address to the churches on the State of Religion.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, Rev. H. G. Hill, Synodical Agent of Sustentation, read his report, which was, on motion, received.

The following resolution was, on motion, adopted :

Resolved. That the Synod will hold a Foreign Missionary Meeting in the First Presbyterian Church to-morrow evening (Friday) at 7½ o'clock, and that the Rev. Daniel McGilvary is hereby invited to address the Synod at that time.

The Rev. Richard McIlwaine then addressed the Synod on the subject of Sustentation.

The Moderator announced the following standing committees, viz :

1. On Bills and Overtures—Rev. A. W. Miller, D. D., Rev. N. Shotwell, Rev. Walter W. Pharr, Mr. N. Grier and Dr. E. Nye Hutchison.

2. On the Judicial Committee—Rev. F. H. Johnston, Rev. H. B. Burr, Rev, Joseph Evans, Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay and Mr. John R. Wilson.

3. On the Records of Orange Presbytery—Rev. Alexander Kirkland, Rev. Wm. A. Wood and Mr. A. S. Baker.

4. On the Records of Concord Presbytery—Rev. A. Baker, Rev. P. T. Penick and Mr. N. Graham.

5. On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery—Rev. J. Rumple, Rev. S. H. Isler and Mr. D. F. Cannon.

6. On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery—Rev. John Douglas, Rev. A. N. Ferguson and Mr. W. H. Crow.

7. On the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery—Rev. Neill McKay, D. D, Rev. A. Currie and Mr. A. Leazar.

8 To prepare an Address to the Churches on the State of Religion within the bounds of the Synod—Rev. D. E. Johnson, Rev. M. Tuttle and Mr. E. F. Buie.

9. On Devotional Exercises—Rev. Colin Shaw and Mr. George Chadbourn.

10. On the Treasurer's Account—Rev. J. Rumple, Mr. A. T. Summey and Mr. W. H. Crow.

11. On the Minutes of the General Assembly—Rev. Jas. P. McPherson, Rev. S. Taylor Martin and Mr. John N. Sample.

12. On Union Theological Seminary—Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., Rev. William S. Lacy and Mr. E. A. Perkins.

13. On the Report of the Trustees of Synod—Rev. H. G. Hill, Mr. J. C. Cannon and Mr. A. McKay.

14. On Leave of Absence—Rev. E. F. Rockwell, Rev. C. M. Payne and Mr. G. S. Carr.

Letters were read from Rev. Messrs. S. A. Stanfield, T. N. Paxton, R. H. Chapman, D. D., and R. Z. Johnston, giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present sessions of Synod.

The unfinished business was then taken up, viz: the consideration of the resolutions appended to the Report of the Agent of Sustentation.

The first, second and third resolutions were adopted and are as follows:

1. *Resolved,* That the Synod recommend to its Presbyteries to take such steps as they may deem wise, to unite as far as possible, their feeble churches into self-sustaining pastorates,

2. *Resolved,* That the Synod urge all our ministers to instruct their congregations annually in the duty of consecrating their property to God, and of worshipping Him with the first fruits of their increase.

3. *Resolved,* That the Synod recommend the worshipping of God by religious contributions in all our churches on every Sabbath when they have service, and the adoption of some plan of giving, designed to reach every church member.

The fourth resolution appended to the report of the Agent

of Sustentation was, on motion, laid on the table, to be taken up at the next meeting of the Synod.

On motion, the report of the committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg, adopted at the last meeting of the Synod, (see page 13, printed Minutes of 1872,) was re-considered.

On motion, the above mentioned report was laid on the table.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

Friday Morning, October 31, 1873.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and spent the first half hour in devotional exercises.

The Minutes were then read, corrected and, on motion, approved.

The order of the day, viz: the report of the Judicial Committee on the complaint of Rev. Walter W. Pharr and others against the Presbytery of Mecklenburg was, on motion, suspended.

Rev. S. C. Alexander, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Mr. J. W. Colvin, a Ruling Elder, from the Presbytery of Wilmington, appeared in Synod and his name was enrolled.

The Stated Clerk of Orange Presbytery reported that Rev. James H. Fitzgerald had been received as a member of that Presbytery, from the Presbytery of West Hanover, whereupon his name was enrolled as a member of Synod.

The Report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary was read, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Seminary.

Also certain resolutions of the Board of Directors were read and referred to the same committee.

The report of the Trustees of Synod was read and, on

motion, referred to the committee on that subject.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was read, and referred to the committee on the Treasurer's account.

The report of the Agent of Publication was made the order of the day for 11 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The report of the Agent of Education was made the first order of the day for this afternoon.

The report of the Agent of Sabbath Schools was made the second order of the day for this afternoon.

On motion, the order of the day was then taken up, viz: the report of the Judicial Committee on the complaint of Rev. Walter W. Pharr and others against the action of Mecklenburg Presbytery.

First—The complaint was read, and is as follows:

AUGUST 31, 1872.

TO THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA—

We whose names are found in connection with this paper, would with kind feelings and in respectful language complain to your venerable body of a resolution adopted by our Presbytery in the town of Asheville, August 31, 1872.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg in previously defining its relations to the Theological Seminaries of the Church. as though bound to neither, but free to support both, did not design to include in said support the payment of the expenses of its members who may be directors of those institutions.

We complain of this action:

1st Because the Presbytery re-affirms a position which your Synod said at the meeting in Raleigh, she had no right to take, (see printed minutes, page 12, for the year 1870)

2d. By this resolution the Presbytery set aside what is regarded as an order of Synod, to meet the expenses of Directors to the Seminary appointed by your body.

We earnestly desire the Synod to take this matter into serious and prayerful consideration; and give such a deliverance upon this subject as shall be for the peace of the Church and the glory of God.

(Signed.)

WALTER W. PHARR,
D. T. TOWLES,
E. NYE HUTCHISON,
JOHN KIRK,
BURNETT McREESE.

Secondly—The record of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg in the case was read, and is as follows:

"The Presbytery of Mecklenburg, in previously defining its relations to the Theological Seminaries of the Church, as though bound to neither, yet free to support both, did not design to include in said support the payment of the expenses of its members who may be directors of these Institutions."

The Rev. W. W. Pharr was then heard in support of the complaint.

And Rev. A. W. Miller, D. D., and Rev. John Douglas were heard in behalf of The Presbytery.

The roll was then called, and the members of the other Presbyteries were called upon for their opinions.

The roll was again called, and the vote taken which resulted as follows:

To sustain the complaint	33 votes.
To sustain in part	3 "
Whole number votes given	36

Rev. John Douglas gave notice in behalf of Rev. A. W. Miller, D. D., who was absent by permission, that he (Dr. Miller) would complain against this decision of the Synod to the General Assembly.

On motion the Stated Clerk was authorized to appoint some member or members of the Synod to represent the Synod in the General Assembly in reference to this complaint.

Rev. Dr. Moran, of the M. E. Church, and Rev. Dr. Closs, Presiding Elder of the M. E. Church, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

The committee on the Records of Orange Presbytery made a report recommending their approval. This report was adopted.

The committee on the Records of Wilmington Presbytery made a report, recommending their approval. This report was adopted.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, Rev. Neill McKay, D. D., Synodical Agent of Education read his report, which was accepted, and two resolutions appended to the report, were adopted, and are as follows:

Resolved, 1. That the Presbyteries composing this Synod are respectfully and

earnestly urged to carry out the resolution of the last and previous assemblies: That all funds contributed to the cause of Education be forwarded to the Treasurer of the executive committee.

Resolved, 2. That the churches are reminded of the annual concert of prayer on the last Thursday of February for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all our churches, our Seminaries, our Institutions of learning, and especially upon the young, and for God's blessing on the cause of education.

The Rev. P. H. Dalton, Agent of Davidson College, by invitation, presented the claims of that Institution before the Synod.

The Committee on the Records of Concord Presbytery made a report, recommending their approval. This report was adopted.

The Rev. L. C. Vass, Synodical Agent of Sabbath Schools, made his report, which was accepted and filed.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the Synod spent a short time in devotional exercises.

After which the subject of Foreign Missions was taken up, when Rev. Daniel McGilvary made an interesting address upon Mission work in Siam, and especially among the Laos people.

After remarks by several members of Synod a collection was taken up for this cause.

Rev. F. H. Johnston was elected temporary clerk in the place of Rev. L. C. Vass, who had received leave of absence after this night's session.

Letters were read from Rev. Messrs. Edward Hines and Robert Burwell, giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting of Synod.

The town of Concord was chosen as the place, and Wednesday before the third Sabbath of October, 1874, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., as the time, for the next meeting of the Synod.

On motion the Synod then adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING, NOV. 1, 1873.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and spent half an hour in devotional exercises.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod would make the following report:

Synod commends the efforts recently made by the Trustees, to secure the claims held upon individuals mentioned in their report, and to prevent the further loss of property. It also instructs its Trustees to use all diligence in endeavoring to collect the individual notes in their hands, amounting to $116.18, and to make such compremises with these debtors, in securing a speedy settlement as the Trustees may deem wise.

Synod furthermore directs its Trustees to pay over promptly any money realized from these notes, to Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D., Synodical Agent for Publication and Colportage, to be employed by him according to the action of Synod at Newbern, in 1867.

The committee on the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery made a report, recommending that they be approved from page 741 to page 794. This report was adopted.

The committee on the report of the Board of Trustees of Union Theological Seminary made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Trustees of Union Theological Seminary would submit the following report:

That in the prosperous condition and public confidence and favor to which our Seminary has attained, the Synod gratefully recognizes continued and increasing cause for thankfulness to God and rejoicing.

The number of students have been sixty-two, (62)—coming from twelve States and Canada and from twenty-seven Presbyteries. Of the unusually large class that graduated, having stood their final examination and received certificates of that fact, seven were from our State—more indeed than from any other State represented by its students in the Senior class. In thse facts the Synod recognizes cause of humble and thankful joy. In the diligence and proficiency of the students, and the thorough and successful manner in which our professors there perform their work the Synod rejoices.

We thank God for the Missionary spirit specially manifested, and that another of our young men has been added to the corps of foreign Missionaries, and has already, perhaps, landed in China.

The large addition to the library of over seven hundred volumes, the safe condition of the finances, the health of the students and professors, and the additions and generous donations of friends to the institution, in New York, Kentucky and elsewhere;—for these and other tokens of the Divine favor which the Head of the Church has bestowed upon our Seminary, the Synod would make humble and thankful mention, and invoke upon it, its students, its instructors, its trustees and guardians, and upon all its interests, the continued

guidance and blessing of God. The Synod approves of the action of the Trustees at their meeting, May 7th, 1873, directing the professors to keep a record of the attendance, &c , of the students on the recitations and looking generally to and enjoining a closer supervision and direction by the faculty there of the students' studies while at the Seminary, whether licensed or not.

We reccommend that the fourth class of Directors whose term of office expires at this meeting of the Synod be re-appointed, to serve for four years, except that Mr. Evander McGilvary be appointed in the place of Dr. C. T. Murphy. The class will then consist of Rev. F. H. Johnston, Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson and Evander McGilvary, Ruling Elder.

We recommend that in the place of Rev. A. F. Dickson, who is no longer living within the bounds of this Synod, the Rev. Colin Shaw be appointed as one of the third class, whose term of office expires at the next meeting of the Synod.

We recommend that Rev. F. H. Johnston and Mr. A. T. Summey, who were absent at the last meeting of the Trustees, be now called upon by Synod for their excuses.

Rev. F. H. Johnston and Mr. A. T. Summey, Ruling Elder, then rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

The Stated Clerk presented the following statistical report of the Synod to the General Assembly, which was, on motion, approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

THE REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF N. CAROLINA TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN UNITED STATES.

The Synod of North Carolina respeetfully reports to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, that it consists of five Presbyteries, and these Presbyteries consist in whole of 96 Ministers, having under their care 201 churches, 9 Licentiates and 36 candidates, viz:

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.
Orange,	24	51	1	11
Concord,	17	34	2	9
Fayetteville,	19	47	2	7
Wilmington,	13	28	4	3
Mecklenburg,	23	41		6
Total.	96	201	9	36

The Synod further reports that its next meeting will be held in the town of Concord, Cabarrus county, N. C., on Wednesday, the 14th day of October, 1874, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

Wilmington, N. C, November 1, 1873.

The committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly reported that they found nothing in those Minutes requiring the action of the Synod. This report was accepted and approved.

The Judicial committee reported that no business had been placed in their hands and asked to be discharged.

This report was accepted and the committee discharged.

On motion, the following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, 1. That this Synod has heard, with deep interest, Rev. Daniel McGilvary, a native of this State, and formerly a member of this Synod, now a missionary to Siam, under the care of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

Resolved, 2. That this Synod record their gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for that tender and gracious care, in the midst of privation and danger, which has been vouchsafed our beloved brother, and for the marks of divine favor and blessing that have attended his labors ; and pray that still further the hand of the Lord may guide him in his work and crown him with abundant success.

Rev. Messrs. A. Currie and P. T. Penick with Mr. Geo. White, Ruling Elder, were appointed a committee to prepare a minute on the death of Rev. A. G. Hughes a member of this Synod, for adoption at the present meeting.

The same committee was directed to prepare a sketch of the life of Mr. Hughes, and report at the next meeting of the Synod.

Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., Synodical Agent of Publication, read his report, which was accepted and the resolutions appended to the report were adopted, and are as follows :

1. That in accordance with the Minutes of the General Assembly, this Synod, should it so happen that any of its Presbyteries has failed to take such action as was directed by the Assembly, does earnestly urge upon all its ministers and sessions to afford to their people an opportunity on the 1st Sabbath of December of the current year, or as near thereto as practicable, to contribute to this special object, viz : the purchase of a publishing house.

2. That Synod recommends to our ministers and people to patronize our Book and Publishing house in Richmond, Va., for the supply of our churches, Sabbath Schools, Ministers and people with a choice and select religious literature adapted to our present and pressing wants, and furnished on at least as favorable terms as elsewhere.

3. That the Synod hereby declares its convictions of the vast importance of this cause and this agency in conducting the work of the Church ; that it has

been most judiciously and economically managed; that in a financial point of view our Committee's success is surprising and calls for thankfulness to God, and to those who have managed so well; and that the interests of our Publication are vital to the extension of our Church and demand and deserve increased and ample support.

The Committee on the standing rules of the Synod made a report, which was, on motion, approved, and the Committee continued, with instruction to revise and amend the Rules as may be necessary.

The Committee on leave of absence made the following report, which was accepted and approved:

The Committee on leave of absence beg leave to report, that for various reasons deemed sufficient, they granted permission to return home to the following members, viz:

To Ruling Elders, Messrs. McAuley, W. J. Currie, S. T. Buie and Dr. E. Nye Hutchison, on Friday morning.

To Rev. Messrs. A. W. Miller, D. D., A. Kirkland, Malcom McNair, P. T. Penick, A. McFadyen, James Kelly, A. N. Ferguson, S. H. Isler, H. McLean, N. McKay, D. D., L. C. Vass, A. McMillan, A. Baker, J. C. Alexander, T. C. Johnston, with Ruling Elders, W. K. Cromartie, J. L. Corbett, J. C. McAllister, W. H. Crow, J. C. Cannon, Jesse H. Lindsay, Dr. N. Graham, Robert Moore, A. S. Baker, Alexander McKethan and H. H. Hodgin, on Saturday morning.

To Rev. Messrs. K. M. McIntyre, C. Shaw, J. B. Mack, M. McQueen, H. A. Monroe and James McQueen, with Ruling Elder E. Kelly, after the morning session on Saturday.

Absentees at the calling of the roll at the time of the adjournment of the last meeting of the Synod were called upon for excuses. To which there was no response, as none of them were present.

Reports on Systematic Benevolence from all the Presbyteries were read, accepted, and ordered to be printed in the appendix to the Minutes.

The Stated Clerk was directed to have one thousand copies of the Minutes printed in pamphlet form, for the use of Ministers and Churches.

The committee to prepare an address to the churches made a report, which was accepted, and ordered to be published in the Appendix to the Minutes, and read from the pulpit by all our Pastors, Stated supplies, and Ruling Elders in unsupplied churches.

On motion, it was ordered that so much of the report of the Agent of Publication as contains notices of Books pub-

lished by our committee, be submitted for publication in the North Carolina Presbyterian.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod regards the "North Carolina Presbyterian" as a most important means of Evangelization within its bounds, that it rejoiees in its increasing circulation and prosperity, and that it urges all its Ministers, church officers and members to vigorous efforts for augmenting the number of its subscribers and its enlarged usefulness.

On motion, it was ordered that this resolution should be read from the pulpit in connection with the address to the churches.

Rev. D. E. Jordan, by invitation, addressed the Synod on behalf of the Orphan Asylum, at Oxford, N. C.

The following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod are due, and are hereby tendered, to the members of this church and to the citizens of this city, for their kindness and hospitality to the members of this body, during the present meeting; to the churches of other denominations who have opened their houses of worship to the members of this Synod; and to the Rail Road companies and Steam Boat lines that have passed our members for one fare.

And the papers of this city are respectfully requested to publish this resolution.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That the rule of this Synod requiring that each Presbytery be enjoined to make provision for the payment of the travelling expenses necessarily incurred by those directors of the Union Theological Seminary who have been appointed within its own bounds, be rescinded.

Resolved, 2. That hereafter those members of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary, elected by the Synod of North Carolina be directed to call on the Treasurer of the Synod for the payment of their necessary travelling expenses.

Resolved, 3. That the assessments on the Presbyteries be increased so as to be sufficiently large to defray the ordinary expenses of the Synod, together with the travelling expenses of all the members of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary, appointed by this Synod.

The Committee on the Treasurer's Account made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee appointed to examine the report of the Treasurer of the Synod report, that they have made the examination and find the accounts correctly kept, and disbursements sustained by proper vouches.

We recommend that the Treasurer be directed to collect the arrearages as soon as practicable. We further recommend that the former assessments be doubled for the ensuing year, viz:

Concord Presbytery	$75 00
Fayetteville Presbytery	80 00
Mecklenburg Presbytery	75 00
Orange Presbytery	130 00
Wilmington Presbytery	50 00
	$410 00

Wilmington, N. C., October 31, 1873.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of the Presbyteries be directed to send a copy of the annual reports to the General Assembly on Sabbath Schools to the Synodical Agent of Sabbath Schools.

The committee appointed to prepare a Minute in reference to the death of Rev. A. G. Hughes made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

Resoolved, That the Synod recognizes the fact, that since its last meeting the God and Head of the Church has removed one of its members by death, Rev. Anderson G. Hughes, a brother beloved by us as a co-worker for thirty years, and beloved also for his christian worth. In this providence Synod recognizes a Father's voice saying: Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of Man cometh.

The committee on the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery made a report, which was accepted and adopted.

[NOTE.—This report was not placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk with the other papers of Synod]

The committee on Bills and Overtures reported that no business had been brought before them, and asked to be discharged.

On motion, this report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The roll was called, when it was found that the following members were absent without permission, viz:

From the Presbytery of Orange, Rev. John W. Primrose. From the Presbytery of Concord, Mr. T. A. Perkins, Ruling Elder. From the Presbytery of Fayetteville, Mr. A. McKay, Ruling Elder. From the Presbytery of Wilmington, Rev. H. B. Burr, with Mr. Robert McDougal, John D. Currie and J. W. Colvin, Ruling Elders.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned, to meet in the town of Concord, Cabarrus County, N. C., on Wednesday, the 14th day of October, 1874, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the Apostolic benediction.

JACOB DOLL,
Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

ADDRESS OF THE SYNOD OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE CHURCHES UNDER ITS OVERSIGHT AND CARE.

The Synod of North Carolina, to the Churches under its care,—Grace and Peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

DEAR BRETHREN:—It gives us great joy to learn that the blessed Spirit of God has been with some of our churches, reviving the children of God and bringing nigh them that were far off. But there has been no *general* revival, and we fear, indeed, that in very many of our churches a sad state of coldness and indifference prevails. Of this we are sure, that many of our churches have received but few, if any, additions to their list of communicants during the year, and that the hearts of earnest christians are sad for the state of things that they have seen. To these churches we desire to say in faithfulness and love; it ought to be a matter of solemn, prayerful inquiry among you whether this is through any fault of yours. We remember that through the mouth of His prophet Isaiah, the Lord said once to His chosen people, the Lord's hand is not shortened that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy that it can not hear, but your iniquities have separated between you and your God and your sins have hid His face from you that he will not hear. Now, brethren, is there any sin, of neglect or of any other kind, that thus hinders the blessing of God? We urge you to diligent self-examination, and let every one that nameth the name of the Lord depart from iniquity.

We urge upon you a hearty consecration of yourselves to the Lord; and we counsel a watchful and diligent use of all the means of grace which the Holy Ghost has authorized. And in particular we urge upon you to be diligent and faithful in secret prayer. We fear that it is much neglected, and we believe that this neglect lies at the root of much of the shallow experience which prevails so largely at the present day among the followers of Christ. We are sure that there is no way by which an efficient and happy Christian life can be maintained without faithful, frequent use of this important means of grace.

BELOVED—These are times of appalling defection. The number and former standing of those who have fallen away, shows the power of the temptations that are brought to bear, and that there is no class of men that is out of danger. There is no way of safety but in living near the Lord, and in taking heed to your ways according to His word. And in this connection we urge upon church sessions to be faithful in administering the discipline of the House of God. It is put into your hands as a means of grace; to reclaim the erring, and to vindicate the honor of the church from the reproach brought upon it by the un-

stable and unruly.

Let brotherly love prevail, and let it be seen in your daily life. Seek to know the members of your own congregations and to sympathize with each other in joy and in sorrow. Let all who enter one of our churches feel that they have found a home in which the love of Him, in whom the whole family in Heaven and earth are one, makes every one to rejoice in communion with all the rest. Especially we counsel you to seek out the poorer members and study to make them feel at home among you.

We call your attention to the need of an enlarged christian liberality. All our enterprises are calling for large gifts to the treasury. And by His providence as well as by His Word, the Lord calls you to prove Him and see if He will not pour you out a blessing.

And now, brethren, with thankfulness and prayer to God, on your account, we commend you to Him and to the word of His grace. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

JAMES M. SPRUNT, Moderator.

REPORT OF ORANGE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Orange reports to the Synod of North Carolina the following results of their benevolent contributions for the year ending April, 1873.

21 of our churches have contributed to all five of the objects, viz:	
To Sustentation	$1162 00
" Foreign Missions	630 00
" Education	1680 00
" Publication	253 00
" Invalid Fund	223 00
Eight churches have contributed to the four following objects, viz:	
To Sustentation	$157 00
" Foreign Missions,	124 00
" Education	100 00
" Publication	64 00
One church has contributed to the four following objects viz:	
To Sustentation	52 00
" Foreign Missions	18 00
" Publication	3 00
" Invalid Fund	11 00
One church contributed to the two following objects, viz:	
To Sustentation	4 00
" Invalid Fund	12 00
One church has contributed to the two following objects:	
To Sustentation	2 00
" Publication	2 00
One church has contributed to the two following objects:	
To Sustentation	13 00
" Education	4 00
Three churches have contributed to Sustentation alone	136 00
One " has contributed to Foreign Missions alone	2 00

Thirteen churches have reported no contributions to any of these objects. It ought to be added, however, that of these thirteen churches several have but little more than a nominal existence. Your committee also report, that under the head of Sustentation is included all the money collected for the Evangelistic fund.

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

October, 1873.

SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

REPORT OF CONCORD PRESBYTERY TO THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Presbytery of Concord respectfully submits to the Synod of North Carolina the following report of their Benevolent contributions for the year ending April, 1873:

15	churches	contributed	to the	Invalid fund	$590 09
22	"	"	"	Education	1219 99
28	"	"	"	Sustentation	819 05
22	"	"	"	Publication	322 01
21	"	"	"	Foreign Missions	725 90
22	"	"	"	Miscellaneous	1635 77
				Total	$4314 91

13 of our churches have contributed to all the 5 objects ordered by the General Assembly; 7 have contributed to 4 of them; 1 to three of them; 4 to two of them; 3 to one of them, and five to none of them, so far as reported.

By order of Presbytery,

W. W. PHARR, Stated Clerk.

REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, on the subject of Systematic Benevolence, that from Sept. 1st, 1872, to April 5th, 1873,

16	churches	contributed	to	Foreign Missions	$226 01
30	"	"	"	Education	339 91
16	"	"	"	Publication	140 66
26	"	"	"	Sustentation	284 97
9	"	"	"	Disabled Ministers, &c.,	116 02
10	"	"	"	Evangelist Fund "	82 80
10	"	"	"	Colportage, "	63 31
				Total	$1253 68

From April 5th, 1873, to October 1st, 1873,

30	churches	contributed	to	Foreign Missions	$375 67
12	"	"	"	Education	98 18
18	"	"	"	Sustentation	178 53
20	"	"	"	Publication	177 43

19	"	"	" Disabled Ministers. &c.	148 14
5	"	"	" General Evangelist Fund, &c.	23 23
6	"	"	" Special to same Fund	53 63
			Total	$954 86
			Total for the year	$2,208 49

Respectfully submitted.
By order of Presbytery,
J. P. McPHERSON Stated Clerk.

Laurinburgh, N. C., Oct. 11th, 1873.

REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully reports to the Synod of North Carolina, the following contributions for the year ending April, 1873:

Objects.	Congregations contributing.	Amounts.
Relief Fund for Disabled Ministers	13	$174 96
Education	15	364 93
Sustentation	18	202 81
Publication	17	99 72
Foreign Missions	20	189 74
Total		$1055 83

9 Congregations have contributed to all the five objects ordered by the G. As'y,
7 " " " " four of them
2 " " " " three " "
1 " " " " two " "
2 " " " " one " "
7 " " failed to report,

By order of Presbytery, JAS. M. SPRUNT,
Beth-Car Church, 4th October, 1873. Stated Clerk.

TO THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg submits the following Report on Systematic Benevolence, for the year ending April, 1873:

OBJECTS.			
Relief Fund for Disabled Ministers	4	churches	$148 85
Education	23	"	451 49
Sustentation	24	"	2,429 06
Publication	12	"	221 00
Foreign Missions	25	"	793 00
Miscellaneous			470 12
			$4,551 73

Fo ur churches contributed to all the objects; 8 churches to four of them; 9 churches to three of them; 5 churches to two of them; 2 churches to one of them, and one church to none of them—because recently organized.

Some of the churches contribute on the days appointed by the Assembly, and therefore this report does not show all that has been raised, inasmuch as some of the objects are not presented until after the meeting of Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted,
By order of Presbytery. R. Z. JOHNSTON,
Oct., 1873. Stated Clerk.

Annual Report to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church and to the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia, made 7th May, 1873.

The Trustees, in pursuance of the Constitution, submit to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States and to the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia, this their annual

REPORT:

At the close of the *forty ninth* year, in the history of the Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, the Trustees are prepared to report to the Assembly and Synods, under whose care this institution is placed by the Church, that the Seminary is still doing the *work* for which it was established, in a thorough and successful manner. A full corps of Professors, able and experienced in their work, are constantly at their posts and about as large a number of students as have ever been before in attendance, have sought instruction during the year ending the 6th May, 1873.

The number of students for this year has been sixty-two. They come from twelve States and Canada, and from twenty-seven Presbyteries. Washington and Lee University, Hamden Sidney and Davidson Colleges furnish the greater number of students.

Of the Senior Class of twenty-two, the following stood their final examinations, and the usual certificates of that fact, were awarded to them; to wit:

W. G. Baird, North Carolina; J. F. Cannon, North Carolina; W. S. Cockrane, Tennessee; J. W. Davis, North Carolina; J. P. Gammon, Tennessee; J. A. Graves, Virginia; A. H. Hamilton, North Carolina; P. H. Hensley, W. Va.; R. P. Kerr, Tennessee; A. F. Laird, Virginia; F. McCutchan, Virginia; G. W. Painter, Virginia; J. D. Pinkerton, Virginia; J. M. Rose, North Carolina; J. W. Rosebro, North Carolina; G. Summey, North Carolina; and to the following gentlemen who did not remain to the examination but on satisfactory excuses were absent, J. M. Rawlings, Virginia; L. D. Turnbull, Baltimore. Four others having left the Seminary, without rendering sufficient reasons, did not receive this usual testimonial.

The Trustees take pleasure in reporting that a majority of the students have made commendable proficiency in their studies, and that their services as ministers have been eagerly sought by the churches, and that most of the Senior Class have already been engaged before their term of study expired.

God has also been pleased to pour a missionary spirit upon the young men of the Seminary. Several of our recent graduates have been laboring in China and South America, under the appointment of the Committee of Foreign Missions, and several others have been accepted by the Committee, and are awaiting their orders, thus honoring and obeying the great command—"Go ye unto all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Since the report of 1872, seven hundred and seventeen volumes have been added to the library. The total number of volumes is 9,075. The Trustees propose to erect a library building; the value of the funds for that purpose being between twelve and fifteen thousand dollars. The remaining sum necessary for building will no doubt be obtained.

The finances of the Seminary are in a safe and healthy condition, $5,600 in good securities have been purchased in the year, and $5,000 in Railroad bonds have been temporarily placed at the disposal of the Seminary by Mr. Henry Young of New York, the valued friend of the Institution. The Rebecca Park Scholarship of $1,000 has been received from the estate of the late Mrs. Rebecca Campbell Park, of Richwood church, in Ebenezer Presbytery in Kentucky.

The Legislature of Virginia continues to pay the full interest on the certificates of debt due from the State at the time of the passage of the Act, authorizing the payment of such interest on Virginia bonds held by Colleges and other Seminaries of learning. Before the war, this institution made investments in Virginia bonds in preference to others. After the war, when values had greatly changed, and our Seminaries of learning were greatly embarrassed, the Legislature of Virginia determined to pay their interest, and still continues to do so. The Trustees deem it but an act of justice to acknowledge their obligations for this wise and patriotic legislation.

In conclusion, the Trustees would invite the General Assembly and Synods to unite with them in devout thanksgiving to God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon this Seminary of sound learning, and in earnest prayer that He may continue to uphold and prosper this institution, that He would guard and defend it from all evil, and guide its Professors and pupils in all truth, to the glory of His great name, henceforth and forever.

By order of the Trustees,

WM. BROWN, President.

OFFICERS, &C.

Rev. Wm. Brown, D. D., President; Rev. J. Rumple and A. G. McIlwaine, Esq., Vice Presidents; F. N. Watkins, (Farmville, Va.,) Secretary and Treasurer; Rev. Dr. B. M. Smith, Librarian; Rev. Dr. T. E. Peck, Intendant; Rev. Dr. R. L. Dabney, Clerk to the Faculty. The Faculty consists of the following gentlemen:

Rev. B. M. Smith, D. D., Professor of Oriental Literature.

Rev. R. L. Dabney, D. D., Professor of Systematic and Pastoral Theology.

Rev. Thomas E. Peck, Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Polity.

Rev. H. C. Alexander, D. D., Professor of Biblical Literature and Interpretation of the New Testament.

Correspondents will note that the Post Office address of the Professors and students is "Hampden Sidney, Prince Edward county, Va.;" that of the Treasurer and Secretary is "Farmville, Va"

The legal title of the corporation is "The Trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia."

F. N. WATKINS, Secretay.

Farmville, Va., May 7, 1873.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SYNOD

for one year—from October, 1872, to October, 1873.

RECEIPTS:

From Concord Presbytery,	assessment	for	1872,	$37 50
" Mecklenburg	"	"	" "	37 50
" Fayetteville	"	"	" "	40 00
" Wilmington	"	"	" "	25 00
" Concord	"	"	" 1873	37 50
" Mecklenburg	"	"	" "	37 50
" Orange	"	"	" "	65 00
				$280 00

DISBURSEMENTS:

To Treasurer—Balance due him as per last Report,	$50 12
Rev. Jacob Doll, Salary and account as Stated Clerk,	75 60
" T. L. DeVeaux, Printing Minutes of Synod 1872,	110 00
Balance in hands of Treasurer,	44 28
	$280 00

Fayetteville and Wilmington Presbyteries have not paid the assessment for 1873—the first of $40 00 and the last $25 00.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE H. LINDSAY, Treasurer.

Greensboro', N. C., Oct. 28, 1873.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

TO THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA, AT WILMINGTON, OCTOBER, 1873.

After consultation with Mr. Brown, one of the Trustees, we agreed to make the following report:

The Trustees hold a note on the Treasurer of Concord Female College. (R. F. Simonton,) dated October 12, 1869, for $1468.34. The College has since been sold to satisfy a debt due Davidson College, and said R. F. Simonton is now the owner of the College, and we may say that this amount is entirely lost.

We hold two small notes on Mr. J. H. Stephenson, one $29 81, the other $17.87, both bearing interest. He has taken the homestead several years back, but is trying to pay his old debts.

We also hold two notes on J. Lyons, one for $45.50, with a credit of $22.50, leaving a balance of $23.00, and one for $45.50. We still beleive these notes will be paid, but cannot press them without danger of loss. Had we power to compromise it might be of advantage.

THOMAS A. ALLISON, Chairman.

STATED CLERKS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

1813. Rev. Robert H. Chapman.
1818. Rev. Colin McIver.
1849. Rev. Drury Lacy.
1855. Rev. Archibald Baker.
1859. Rev. Jacob Doll.

MODERATORS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

	MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1813.	Rev. Robert H. Chapman	Alamance Church.
1814.	Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell	Thyatira Church.
1815.	Rev. William McPheeters	Fayetteville.
1816.	Rev. Rev. John Robinson	Raleigh.
1817.	No meeting—no quorum present	Rocky River.
1818.	Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D. D	Fayetteville.
1819.	Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, M. D	Raleigh.
1820.	Rev. William Paisley	Poplar Tent.
1821.	Rev. John M. Wilson	Salisbury.
1822.	Rev. John Robinson	Hillsboro'.
1823.	Rev. John Witherspoon	Fayetteville.
1824.	Rev. Colin McIver	Statesville.
1825.	Rev. John B. Davis	Greensboro'.
1826.	Rev. William McPheeters, D. D	Fayetteville.
1827.	Rev. R. H. Morrison, D. D	Salisbury.
	The Stated Clerk has no record of this and the two succeeding moetings.	
1828.	Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch	Raleigh,
1829.	Rev. John Williamson	Fayetteville.
1830.	Rev. Samuel L. Graham	Hopewell.
1831.	Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich	Hillsboro'.
1832.	Rev. Samuel Williamson	Salisbury.
1833.	Rev. Henry A. Rowland	Wilmington.
1834.	Rev. James W. Douglas	Oxford.
1835.	Rev. Henry N. Pharr	Salisbury.
1836.	Rev. Joseph Brown	Fayetteville.
1837.	Rev. N. H. Harding	Shiloh.
1838.	Rev. Stephen Frontis	Third Creek Church.
1839.	Rev. Daniel A Penick	Lincolnton.
1840.	Rev. Alexander Wilson, D. D	Danville, Va.
1841.	Rev. William N. Peacock	Fayetteville.
1842.	Rev. Walter W. Pharr	Poplar Tent.
1843.	Rev. James Phillips	Raleigh.
1844.	Rev. Simeon Colton	Fayetteville.
1845.	Rev. Samuel Williamson	Charlotte.
1846.	Rev. Drury Lacy	Greensboro'.
1847.	Rev. Evander McNair	Fayetteville.
1848.	Rev. Cyrus Johnston	Salisbury.
1849.	Rev. John A. Gretter	Hillsboro'.
1850.	Rev. Adam Gilchrist	Centre.
1851.	Rev. Archibald Baker	Rocky River.
1852.	Rev. William N. Mebane	Danville, Va.
1853.	Rev. Hector McLean	Wilmington.
1854.	Rev. A. L. Watts	Concord.
1855.	Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D. D	Greensboro'.
1856.	Rev. Neill McKay	Fayetteville.
1857.	Rev. Walter W. Pharr	Charlotte.
1858.	Rev. Jacob Doll	Newbern.
1859.	Rev. F. K. Nash	Wilmington.
1860.	Rev. R. H. Lafferty	Statesville.
1861.	Rev, Edward Hines	Raleigh.
1862.	Rev. John M. Sherwood	Goldsboro'.
1863.	Rev. R. N. Davis	Salisbury.
1864.	Rev. A.G. Hughes	Greensboro'.
1865.	Rev. Colin Shaw	Fayetteville.
1866.	Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D. D	Charlotte.
1867.	Rev. Archibald Currie	Newbern.
1868.	Rev. D. D. McBryde	Wilmington.
1869	Rev. Jesse Rankin	Morganton.
1870.	Rev. S. A. Stanfield	Raleigh.
1871.	Rev. J. P. McPherson	Fayetteville.

1872. Rev. Arnold W. Miller.....Charlotte.
1873. Rev. James M. Sprunt.....Wilmington.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY—MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN NORTH CAROLINA.

FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

Rev. F. H. Johnston, Mr. Evander McGilvary, Ruling Elder,
Rev. Jos. M. Atkinson, To go out in 1877.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D., Dr. E. Nye Hutchison, Ruling Elder,
Rev. H. G. Hill, To go out in 1876.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

Rev. J. P. McPherson, Dr. R L. Beall, Ruling Elder.
Rev. Walter W. Pharr, To go out in 1875.

FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

Rev. Colin Shaw, Mr. A. T. Summey, Ruling Elder.
Rev. J. Rumple, To go out in 1874.

TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

Col. Thomas A. Allison, Statesville, N. C.
Mr. D. A. Davis, Salisbury, N. C.
Mr. William F. Cowan, Statesville, N. C,
Col. John E. Brown, Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. S. P. Alexander, " "
Mr. John L. Brown, " "

AGENTS OF SYNOD.

Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Agent of Foreign Missions.
Rev. H. G. Hill, Agent of Sustentation.
Rev. Neill McKay, D. D., Agent of Education.
Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., Agent of Publication.
Rev. L. C. Vass, Agent of Sabbath Schools.

TREASURER OF SYNOD.

Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, Greensboro', N. C.

DOCKET

Of the Sixty-first Session of the Synod of North Carolina, to be held in Concord, N. C., on Wednesday the 14th day of October, 1874.

1. Prayer.
2. Roll called.
3. Moderator chosen.
4. Temporary Clerks chosen.
5. Minutes read.

6. Absentees from the last meeting of the Synod :

From Orange Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. G. W. Ferrill, Thos. U. Faucett, D. Lacy, D. D., C. N. Morrow, C. Phillips, D. D, C. H. Wiley, W. B. Tidball, H. B. Pratt and E. H. Harding.

From Concord Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. Jesse Rankin, D. Lindley, T. P. Johnston, G. M. Gibbs, S. C. Millin, B. L. Beall, A. E. Chandler, L. McKinnon and John M. Davis.

From Fayetteville Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen and John H. Coble.

From Wilmington Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. B. F. Marable, N. Z. Graves and A. F. Dickson.

From Mecklenburg Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. R. H. Morrison, D. D, J. D. Hall, W. N. Morrison, D. McNeill Turner, D. D., William Graves, Thomas E. Davis, J. C. Williams, Jacob Hood, W. B. Corbett, G. D. Parks, D. T. Towles, R. B. Anderson, William McDonald and J. J. Kennedy.

7. Read the Statistical Reports of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg Presbyteries.

8. Appoint the following standing Committees:

1. On Bills and Overtures.
2. Judicial Committee.
3. On the Records of Orange Presbytery.
4. On the Records of Concord Presbytery.
5. On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery.
6. On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery.
7. On the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery.
8. To prepare an address to the churches on the State of Religion within the bounds of the Synod.
9. On devotional exercises.
10. On the Treasurer's Account.
11. On the Minutes of the General Assembly.
12. On Union Theological Seminary,
13. On the Report of the Trustees of Synod.
14. On leave of Absence.

9. Read the Narratives on the State of Religion respectively from the Presbyteries of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg.

10. Read the Report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

11. The term of office of the 4th class of Directors of Union Thological Seminary expires at this meeting of the Synod, viz: Rev. Colin Shaw, Rev. J. Rumple and M. A. T. Summey.

12. Take up the 4th Resolution appended to Mr. Hill's report on Sustentation which was laid on the table at the last meeting of the Synod.

13. Report of the Committee to prepare a sketch of the life of Mr. Hughes.

14. Hear the report of the committee on the Standing Rules.

15. Absentees at the calling of the roll at the close of the last session of Synod. (See Minutes of 60th Session.)

16. Read reports on Systematic Benevolence, respectively from the Presbytories of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg.

17. Read the report of the Trustees of Synod.
18. Read the report of the Treasurer of Synod.
19. Read the report of the Agent of Sustentation.
20. do " do " " Agent of Education.
21. do " do " " Agent of Foreign Missions.
22. do " do " " Agent of Publication.
23. do " do " " Agent of Sabbath Schools.
24. Shall the Minutes of Synod be printed, and how many copies?
25. Statistical Report of the Synod to the General Assembly.
26. Time and place of the next meeting of Synod.
27. Minutes to be read and approved.
28. Call the roll at the close of the Session.
29. Close with singing, prayer and the Apostolic benediction.

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CONCORD, N. C., October 14th, 1874.

The Synod of North Carolina met according to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., from Isaiah, 32d chapter, 2d verse.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by Rev. J. P. McPherson, the last Moderator present.

The roll of Ministers and Churches was called, and the following members were found to be present:

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—Jacob Doll, A. Currie, P. H. Dalton, J. H. Smith, D. D., F. H. Johnson, James C. Alexander, Wm. B. Tidball, L. C. Vass, E. H. Harding, C. M. Payne.

Ruling-Elders—Robert Wilson, Ralph Gorrell and M. Shaw.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—Jesse Rankin, Daniel Lindley, Thomas P. Johnson, G. M. Gibbs, B. L. Beall, J. Rumple, A. E. Chandler, J. B. Mack, L. McKinnon, S. Taylor Martin and R. M. Tuttle.

Ruling-Elders—Thos. McConnell, E. W. Kimmons, R. W. Allison, J. A. Witherspoon, B. F. Terry, M. D., Thos. Brown, R. L. Beall, M. D., E. P. Moore, Theophilus Carmon, J. L. Morrison, John D. Johnston and J. B. White.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—J. P. McPherson, David Fairley, Joseph Evans and William S. Lacy.

Ruling-Elders—D. C. Blue, L. A. McLean, D. McIntyre and Neil S. Blue.

PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

Minister—T. C. Johnson.

Ruling-Elders—None.

PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

Ministers—J. Douglas, Walter W. Pharr, H. H. Banks, William McDonald and William H. Davis.

Ruling-Elders—J. M. Caldwell, Thos. E. Price and R. S. Barnett.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—Geo. W. Ferrill, Edward Hines, Thomas U. Faucette, Joseph M. Atkinson, D. E. Jordan, Drury Lacy, D. D., C. N. Morrow, Charles Phillips, D. D., C. H. Wiley, H. B. Pratt, P. Tinsley Penick, J. W. Primrose, Robert Burwell, James H. Fitzgerald, Wm. G. Baird and E. M. Green.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—E. F. Rockwell, T. N. Paxton, Wm. W. Pharr, W. A. Wood, R. B. Anderson, R. W. Boyd, John W. Davis and James H. Thornwell.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—Hector McLean, N. McKay, D. D., A. McMillan, Archibald Baker, D. D. McBryde, Martin McQueen, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, Archibald McQueen, Jno. H. Coble, H. G. Hill, T. L. DeVeaux, A. N. Furguson and K. M. McIntyre.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

Ministers—Duncan B. Black, H. A. Munroe, Colin Shaw, James M. Sprunt, B. F. Marable, S. H. Isler, Jas. Kelly, N. Z. Graves, Archibald McFadyen, Alexander Kirkland and Joseph R. Wilson, D. D.

ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

Ministers—R. H. Morrison, D. D., Jas. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, William N. Morrison, D. McNeill Turner, D. D.,

Leland R. McAboy, D. D., Robert Hett Chapman, D. D., William Graves, Thos. E. Davis, J. C. Williams, A. W. Miller, D. D., S. C. Alexander, D. T. Towles, Wm. B. Corbett, G. D. Parks, R. Z. Johnston and J. J. Kennedy.

Rev. J. Rumple of Concord Presbytery was elected Moderator, and Rev. Messrs. L. C. Vass and B. L. Beall were chosen Temporary Clerks.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING, Oct. 15th, 1874.

The Synod met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The following Ministers and Ruling Elders appeared, gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness and were enrolled, viz: Rev. Messrs. T. N. Paxton, Wm. W. Pharr, E. F. Rockwell and R. B. Anderson, with Ruling-Elders J. H. Greenlee and T. W. Sparrow of the Presbytery of Concord; Rev. Messrs. S. C. Alexander, R. Z. Johnston, G. D. Parks and J. J. Kennedy, with Ruling-Elders T. B. McKee, M. E. Johnston, W. H. Michael, Wm. Arrowwood, J. L. Stowe, F. Scarr, M. D., R. J. McDowell and C. L. Gibson, of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg; Rev. Messrs. Jos. R. Wilson, D. D., and B. F. Marable, with Ruling-Elders George Chadbourn and John W. Colville, of the Presbytery of Wilmington; Rev. Messrs. R. Burwell, J. W. Primrose, W. G. Baird, P. T. Penick and E. M. Green, of Orange Presbytery; Rev. H. G. Hill with Ruling-Elders W. McL. McKay and A. R. McDonald, of the Presbytery of Fayetteville.

On motion, the reading of the Minutes of the last meeting of Synod was dispensed with.

Rev. Hugh Strong, of the Synod of South Carolina; Rev. Robt. Nall, D. D., of the Synod of Alabama; Rev. E. T. Baird, D. D., Secretary of Publication; Rev. Mr. Burton, of the M. E. Church, and Rev. Mr. Dorland of the Synod of Atlantic, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

The following Ministers gave satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of Synod, viz: Rev. Messrs. Wm. B. Tidball and E. H. Harding, of Orange Presbytery; Rev. Messrs. Jesse Rankin, Daniel Lindley, G. M. Gibbs, B. L. Beall and A. E. Chandler, of Concord Presbytery; and Rev. William McDonald, of Mecklenburg Presbytery.

The statistical reports from the Presbyteries were read and are as follows:

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 24 Ministers, and have under their care 52 Churches and 10 Candidates for the Ministry; that on the 30th day October, 1873, they received Rev. James H. Fitzgerald from the Presbytery of West Hanover; that on the 23d day of November, they ordained Wm. G. Baird to the full work of the Ministry as an Evangelist; that on the 22d day of January, 1874, they organized the Church of Oregon, in Rockingham County, N. C; that on the 14th day of February, 1874, they organized the Church of Tarboro, in Edgecombe County, N. C.; that on the 15th day of November, 1873, they installed Rev. C. N. Morrow as Pastor of Cross Roads Church; that on the 22d day of November, 1873, they installed Rev. C. N. Morrow, Pastor of Hawfields Church; that on the 23d day of April, 1874, they dissolved the Church of Roxboro; that on the 24th day of April, 1874, they received Rev. E. M. Green, from the Presbytery of Augusta; that on the 14th day of January, 1874, they lost by death, the Rev. S. A. Stanfield; that on the 25th day of April, 1874, they dissolved the Pastoral relation between Rev. C. M. Payne and the Church of Madison; that on the 4th day of May, 1874, they dissolved the Pastoral relation between Rev. C. M. Payne and the Church of Wentworth; that on the 24th day of September, 1874, they dissolved the Pastoral relation between Rev. Jacob Doll and Yanceyville Church; that on Saturday the 27th day of December, 1873, they installed Rev. James H. Fitzgerald, Pastor of the Church of Hillsboro; that on the 24th day of September, 1874, they struck from the roll the name of Duncan Latta, a colored exhorter, licensed by this Presbytery several years ago; that on the 19th day of May, 1874, they installed Rev. E. M. Green, Pastor of the Church of Washington; that on the 25th day of September, 1874, they dismissed Rev. C

M. Payne, at his own request, to join the Presbytery of Wilmington; that on the same day they dismissed Rev. E. H. Harding, at his own request, to join the Presbytery of Mecklenburg; and that their next Stated Meeting will be held in the town of Tarboro, Edgecombe County., N. C., on the Wednesday before the fourth Sabbath in April, 1874, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

JACOB DOLL,

October 10th, 1874. *Stated Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

The Presbytery of Concord report to the Synod of North Carolina that they consist of 19 Ministers, and have under their care 34 Churches, 2 Licentiates and 6 Candidates; that on the 14th day of April, 1874, they lost by death the Rev. S. C. Millen; that on the 16th day of April 1874, they received on certificate from Bethel Presbytery, S. C., R. W. Boyd, Licentiate; that on the 18th day of April 1874, they licensed Thomas J. Allison, as Probationer to preach the Gospel; that on the 16th day of May 1874, they ordained R. W. Boyd, Licentiate, to the full work of the Ministry, and on the same day installed him Pastor over the Churches of Unity and Third Creek; that on the 10th day of September 1874, they received on certificate, from Mecklenburg Presbytery, the Rev. R. B. Anderson; that on the same day they dissolved the Pastoral relation between the Rev. Jesse Rankin and the Church of Lenoir, and declared said Church vacant; that on the same day they transferred Mr. B. G. Clifford, Licentiate, to the care of Bethel Presbytery, S. C.; that on the 24th day of September 1874, they received Mr. James H. Thomwell, Licentiate, on certificate, from the Presbytery of South Carolina; that on the same day they ordained him to the full work of the Ministry, and installed him Pastor over the Poplar Tent Church; and that their next Stated Meeting will be held at Fifth Creek Church on Thursday before the 3d Sabbath in April 1875, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

WILLIAM. W. PHARR,

Stated Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that at present, they consist of 18 Ministers, and have under their care one Licentiate, 48 Churches and seven candidates for the Ministry; that on the 31st day of October 1873, they dismissed Mr. James A. Smith, a Licentiate under their care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Savannah; that on the 15th day of April 1874, they dismissed Mr. Dan'l S. McAlister, a Licentiate under their care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Harmony; that on the same day they received under their care the recently organized Church of Sherwood; that on the 17th day of April 1874, they licensed Mr. Kenneth McDonald to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the Holy Ministry; that on the 23d day of May 1874, they installed Rev. Wm. S. Lacy Pastor of Buffalo Church; that on the 30th day of May 1874, they installed him Pastor of Euphronia Church; that on the 3d day of June 1874, they installed

Rev. Joseph Evans, Pastor of Big Rock Fish Church; that on the 10th day of June 1874, they installed him Pastor of Pt. Paul's Church; that on the 20th day of July 1874, they lost by death Rev. Malcom McNair, and that the next Stated Meeting of Presbytery will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Rockingham, Richmond County, N. C., on Wednesday before the 4th Sabbath in April 1875, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Respectfully submitted, J. P. McPHERSON,
Charthage, N. C., October 2, 1874. *Stated Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they number 12 Ministers, and have under their care 31 Churches, 4 Licentiates and two Candidates; that on the 30th October 1873, Rev. A. Kirkland, Evangelist of Presbytery, reported that he had organized a Church at White Hall, Wayne County; that on the 23d November, they organized a Church at Newport, Carteret County; that on the 2d April, 1874, they dismissed Rev. A. F. Dickson to the Presbytery of Bethel; that on the 1st day of October they dismissed Rev. H. B. Burr, to join the Presbytery of Brazos and transferred Mr. William H. Groves, a Licientiate, to the care of Abingdon Presbytery; that on the same day they received Rev. Joseph R. Wilson, D. D., from the Charleston Presbytery; that on the 2d day of October, they licensed Mr. H. B. S. Garris, as a Probationer; that on the same day. Rev. A. Kirkland, Evangelist, reported that he had organized a Church at Mount Olive, Wayne County; and that their next Stated Meeting will be held at Hopewell Church, New Hanover County, on Thursday before the 3d Sabbath in April, 1875, at 12 o'clock, M.

By order of the Presbytery, JAMES M. SPRUNT,
Clinton, N. C., Oct. 3d, 1874. *Stated Clerk.*

PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg report to the Synod of North Carolina:

1. That they number 22 Ministers, and have under their care 43 Churches, 2 Licentiates and 7 Candidates.

2. That on the 26th of May, 1874, they received from the Presbytery of Nashville, the Rev. Henry H. Banks, and on the 18th of September, 1874, they received Rev. Leland R. McAboy, D, D., from the Presbytery of Alleghany.

3. That on the 19th of September, 1874, they dissolved the Pastoral relation between the Rev. J. C. Williams and the Hopewell Church.

4. That they installed the Rev. R. H. Chapman, D. D., Pastor (half his time) of Caldwell Church, on 9th of May, 1874, and the Rev. William H. Davis was installed Pastor of Sharon Church, on the 16th of May, 1874.

5. That they licensed Mr. Alfred J. Morrison to preach as a Probationer on the 18th of April, 1874, and Mr. William E. McIlwaine, on the 26th May 1874.

6. That they organized a Church at Monroe, N. C., on the 26th of September, 1873, and one at Wadesboro, N. C., on the 12th of October, 1873, and a 2d Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, N. C., on the 22d of October, 1874.

7. That they dismissed, at their own request, the Rev. R. B. Anderson to the Presbytery of Concord, and the Rev. Jacob Hood to the Presbytery of Platte, (N. Ch.) Mo., on the 26th of May, 1874.

8. That they have 1 Evangelist and 1 Calporteur; and that their next regular meeting will be at Ramah Church, Wednesday before the 3d Sabbath in March, 1875, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery.

R. Z. JOHNSTON,

Little Brittain Church, Sept. 19, 1874. *Stated Clerk.*

The Moderator announced the following standing committees:

1. *On Bills and Overtures.*—Rev. P. H. Dalton, Rev. Daniel Lindley, Rev. Jessie Rankin, Mr. D. C. Blue and Mr. Robert Wilson.

2. *Judicial Committee.*—Rev. J. P. McPherson, Rev. A. Currie, Rev. G. M. Gibbs, Mr. Ralph Gorrell and B. F. Terry, M. D.

3. *On the Records of Orange Presbytery.*—Rev. Wm. W. Pharr, Rev. H. H. Banks and Mr. J. A. Witherspoon.

4. *On the Records of Concord Presbytery.*—Rev. William B. Tidball, Rev. S. C. Alexander and Mr. Daniel McIntyre.

5. *On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery.*—Rev. John Douglas, Rev. W. H. Davis and Mr. J. D. Johnston.

6. *On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery.*—Rev. Walter W. Pharr, Rev. R. Z. Johnston and Mr. Thomas Brown.

7. *On the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery.*—Rev. F. H. Johnston, Rev. R. Burwell and Mr. J. B. White.

8. *To prepare an address to the Churches on the state of Religion within the bounds of the Synod.*—Rev. E. H. Harding and Rev. E. F. Rockwell.

9. *On Devotional Exercises.*—Rev. L. McKinnon and Mr. R. W. Allison.

10. *On the Treasurer's Account.*—Messrs. Ralph Gorrell and E. P. Moore.

11. *On the Minutes of the General Assembly.*—Rev. J. C. Alexander, Rev. J. B. Mack and Mr. R. W. Allison.

12. *On Union Theological Seminary.*—Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D., Rev. T. N. Paxton and Dr. R. L. Beall.

13. *On the Report of the Trustees of Synod.*—Rev. D. Fairley and Mr. W. H. Michael.

14. *On Leave of Absence.*—Rev. J. B. Mack, Rev. T. C. Johnson, Rev. W. H. Davis, Mr. M. Shaw and Mr. N. S. Blue.

Letters were read from Rev. D. E. Jordan, Rev. E. Hines, and Rev. Hector McLean, assigning satisfactory reasons for absence from the present sessions of Synod.

The narratives from all the Presbyteries were read and referred to the Committee appointed to prepare an address to the churches, on the state of religion within the bounds of the Synod.

Rev. Messrs. J. P. McPherson and H. G. Hill, with Mr. D. C. Blue, Ruling-Elder, were appointed a Committee to prepare and present to Synod, a minute on the death of Rev. Malcom McNair.

Rev. Messrs. J. C. Alexander and E. H. Harding, with Mr. Ralph Gorrell, Ruling-Elder, were appointed to bring in a minute on the death of Rev. S. A. Stanfield.

Rev. Messrs. William W. Pharr and R. B. Anderson, with J. A. Witherspoon, Ruling-Elder, were appointed to bring in a minute on the death of Rev. S. C. Millen.

The report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary, and an accompanying paper, were read, and on motion referred to the Committee on the Seminary.

Dr. R. L. Beall, a member of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary, assigned satisfactory reasons for absence from the last two meetings of the Board.

The nomination to fill vacancies in the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary, was referred to the Committee on the Seminary.

On motion, the report of the Agent of Publication was made the order of to-day at 4 o'clock, P. M.

The Report of the Agent of Sustentation was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

The report of the Agent of Education was made the order of the day for 4 o'clock P. M. to-morrow.

And on motion, the report of the Agent of Foreign Missions was made the order of the day to-morrow, at 7:30 o'clock, P. M.

On motion, the Synod took a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

After recess the Synod met. Messrs. D. A. Davis and S. S. Trott, Ruling Elders in Concord Presbytery, Rev. C.

H. Wiley, of Orange Presbytery, and Rev. T. L. DeVeaux, of Fayetteville Presbytery, appeared, gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and were enrolled.

The report of the Committee on the Standing Rules was made the first order of the day for to morrow afternoon.

The names of the absentees at the calling of the roll at the close of the last meeting of Synod were called, but none of said absentees answered.

Reports of all the Presbyteries on Systematic Benevolence were read, accepted, and ordered to be printed in the appendix to the minutes.

An overture from the Presbytery of Fayetteville, touching the preparation of an ecclesiastical Map, was read, and on motion, was ordered to be placed in the hands of the Committee of Bills and Overtures.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was read, and on motion, was referred, together with the accompanying vouchers, to the Committee on the Treasurer's Report.

On motion, it was ordered that one thousand copies of the minutes of the present meeting of Synod be published.

Greensboro N. C. was chosen as the place, and Wednesday before the third Sabbath in October 1875, at 7:30 o'clock, P. M., as the time for the next meeting of the Synod.

The report of the Synodical Agent of Sabbath Schools, with appended resolutions, was read and received. The resolutions were adopted, and are as follows:

1. Synod returns hearty thanks to Almighty God for the encouraging progress and blessing He has given in this department of His Church's work; and earnestly prays that He would give more burning zeal to His people, and a still larger outpouring of His Holy Spirit on their labors among the young.

2. We recommend an increased circulation of the *Children's Friend*, as the very best paper for our youth; and the more general use of the *Earnest Worker* by teachers and parents, as a most valuable aid in their preparation of mind and heart for teaching.

3. We most earnestly urge upon all our church Sessions to endeavor

to sustain at least one Sabbath School in each church, and to send up a full report of their school, according to the Assembly's plan, to each Spring meeting of their Presbyteries; also to affectionately exhort and excite the children in all their churches and Sabbath Schools to take an intelligent interest in all our church enterprises, and to give cheerfully their mites to the service of the blessed Redeemer.

4. We call the attention of the churches to the Assembly's plan for working among the colored people, and advise that wherever practicable, Sabbath Schools be established for the spiritual training of colored children in the way of life everlasting.

The report was ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The Report of the Trustees of Synod was read and ordered to be placed in the hands of the Committee on the Report of the Trustees.

The Stated Clerk presented the following Statistical Report of the Synod to the General Assembly, which was, on motion, approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly:

REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S.

The Synod of North Carolina respectfully reports to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, that it consists of five Presbyteries, and these Presbyteries consist in whole of 95 ministers, having under their care 208 churches, 9 licentiates and 32 candidates, viz:

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.
Orange,	24	52		10
Concord,	19	34	2	6
Fayetteville,	18	48	1	7
Wilmington,	12	31	4	2
Mecklenburg,	22	43	2	7
Total,	95	208	9	32

The Synod further reports, that its next meeting will be held in Greensboro, N. C., on the Wednesday before the 4th Sabbath of October, 1875, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB DOLL,

Concord, N. C., Oct. 15th, 1874. *Stated Clerk.*

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D., Synodical Agent of Publication,

presented his report, which was received and ordered to be placed in the hands of the Editor of the *North Carolina Presbyterian*.

Rev. Charles Phillips, D. D., and Rev. A. D. Hepburn of Orange Presbytery, appeared, assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness and were enrolled.

On motion, Synod took recess until after public worship to-night.

After recess the Synod met.

Messrs. Robert R. King and S. H. Walkup, Ruling Elders in Mecklenburg Presbytery, appeared, gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness and were enrolled.

Rev. J. O. Stedman, D.D., of the Synod of Memphis, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Rev. J. H. Thornwell, of Concord Presbytery, appeared, gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness and was enrolled.

On motion, it was resolved to spend the first half hour of to-morrow morning's session in devotional exercises.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING, Oct. 16th, 1874.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and spent the first half half hour in devotional exercises.

The roll was then called and the minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. S. Mattoon, D.D., of the Synod of Atlantic, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

A letter was read from Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson, giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present session of Synod.

On motion, it was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M., to hear the reports of the several committees appointed to prepare minutes touching the

death of deceased members of this body: and that the vote on said minutes be taken by rising and be followed by prayer.

The committee appointed to examine the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery, reported that they are neatly kept, and recommend that they be approved.

The committee appointed to examine the Records of Concord Presbytery, reported recommending that they be approved.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the Synod's Agent of Sustentation presented his report, which was received.

Pending the consideration of the Report on Sustentation, the Synod took a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

After recess the Synod met.

The committee on the Standing Rules of Synod presented a report which was received, amended, adopted, and is as follows:

The committee appointed at the meeting of the Synod year before last in Charlotte, to collect the Standing Rules, made a report at the last meeting in Wilmington which was approved, and the committee was then continued and instructed "to revise and amend the Rules as may be necessary."

They beg leave now to report that they have attended to this duty, and submit the following as the

STANDING RULES OF THE SYNOD.

RULE 1.—All excuses for tardiness or absence rendered by members on the floor, or communicated in writing, shall be deemed satisfactory, unless a motion is made and prevails to the contrary.

RULE 2.—It shall be the duty of each member when providentially prevented from attending the Synod, to address a letter to the Moderator stating reasons for his detention.

RULE 3.—It shall be the duty of the Directors of the Union Theological Seminary, appointed by this Synod, to render their excuses for non-attendance on any meeting of the Board to the Synod; and if any Director shall be absent from any appointed meeting of the Board without assigning a sufficient excuse, his name shall be dropped from the roll or his seat in the Board shall be declared vacant.

RULE 4.—The Moderator shall at every meeting, appoint a Standing Committee on Leave of Absence, and those members who leave the Synod, without permission, shall be called to answer for such irregularity at its next meeting, and for this purpose the roll of members shall always be called before the final adjournment.

RULE 5.—The Synod shall call upon Ruling Elders in the same manner as upon its Ministers, for their excuses for tardiness.

RULE 6.—A majority of all the votes given shall be necessary in the election of the officers of the Synod.

RULE 7.—It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries to transmit to the Stated Clerk of the Synod, a correct and certified Roll of the Ministers, and another one of the churches at least ten days previous to each meeting of the Synod.

RULE 8.—It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk, whenever necessary, to issue and sign certificates for the return of members and their families on the Railroads of the State to their homes.

RULE 9.—It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to deposit with the Librarian of the Union Theological Seminary, and also the Librarian of Davidson College, a complete series of the Minutes of the Synod as far as published. The Presbyteries composing this body are requested to do the same with their Minutes when published.

RULE 10.—It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to publish in the Appendix to the Printed Minutes, a list of the Ministers of the Synod, with their post offices.

RULE 11.—The Stated Clerk shall have printed every year on the last page of the Minutes, a carefully prepared Docket of the business of the Synod at its next annual meeting.

RULE 12.—It shall be a standing Rule of this Synod to publish the names of the Ruling Elders and Deacons belonging to the churches under its care, in the Appendix to the Minutes, at least once in every five years. And it is enjoined upon the Stated Clerks of the several Presbyteries, to forward to the Stated Clerk of the Synod, when called for, a correct list of the names of the Elders and Deacons, and their post offices in the different churches.

RULE 13.—Agents shall be appointed on each of the following objects of Christian Benevolence, viz: Foreign Missions, Sustentation, Education and Publication. And it shall be the duty of these Agents to take into consideration the whole field committed to their supervision, and present at each meeting of Synod a written report of all that is doing within the bounds of the Synod on the subjects severally assigned to them; and the consideration of these reports shall be a special order at each meeting of Synod.

RULE 14.—The Chairman of the Sustentation Committee in each

Presbytery is instructed to furnish the Synodical Agent on this subject such facts and figures as will inform him of what has been done the previous year within their bounds. And this information shall be furnished on or before the second day of the Session of Synod each year.

RULE 15.—The subject of Systematic Benevolence shall be made a standing item on the Docket of Synod, and the Presbyteries shall be called upon to make annual reports of their diligence in this matter.

RULE 16.—An Agent of Sabbath Schools shall be appointed, who shall present annually before the Synod, as full a report as possible, of the condition and growth and prospects of the Sabbath School cause.—And the Stated Clerks of Presbyteries are directed to send a copy of the annual reports to the General Assembly on Sabbath Schools, to the Synodical Agent.

RULE 17.—That the Treasurer of Synod be instructed to send annually to the Treasurer of Union Theological Seminary, an amount sufficient to pay the travelling expenses of the North Carolina Directors.

RULE 18.—It shall be the duty of the Trustees of the Synod to present annually a full written report of the funds in their hands.

RULE 19.—Presbyteries are required to forward the reports of their Agents of Foreign Missions, Education and Publication, to the Synod's Agents, respectively, before the annual meeting.

On motion, it was resolved that the Standing Rules of Synod be published annually, in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made a report, which was adopted.

The order of the day was taken up, viz: To hear the report of the Synod's Agent of Education.

The Rev. Neill McKay, D.D., the Synod's Agent, not being present, the Rev. J. O. Stedman, D. D., was invited to address the Synod on the subject of Education.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That whereas we have with us two brethren who are Professors in Davidson College, Synod, recognizing this institution to be vastly important to our Church at large, and an agency almost vital to our highest interests as Presbyterians and as citizens of the State and country, would express its desire to hear from these brethren as to the present condition and prospects of this College, and hereby invites them to address the Synod, in connection with the subject of Education, this afternoon.

Rev. R. H. Chapman, D.D., with Ruling Elder S. M. Banks, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, and Gilbert Patterson, Ruling Elder in Fayetteville Presbytery, appeared and were enrolled.

On motion, Synod took a recess until 7:30 o'clock, P. M.

After recess Synod met and took up the order of the day, when the Synodical Agent of Foreign Missions presented a report, which was received, and pending a motion to adopt, the Synod adjourned.

On motion, it was made the second order of the day on to-morrow, to hear Rev. C. H. Wiley, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society in North Carolina.

On motion the Synod adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING, October 17, 1874.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The unfinished business of yesterday was taken up, viz: the consideration of the Report on Foreign Missions. This report was approved, and ordered to be placed in the hands of the editor of the *North Carolina Presbyterian.*

The committee appointed to examine the Records of Wilmington Presbytery, reported that they find the Minutes neatly kept, and recommend their approval.

This report was received and adopted.

The committee appointed to present a Biographical Sketch of Rev. A. G. Hughes, deceased, not being prepared to report, was continued, with instructions to report at the next meeting of Synod.

The Committee on Union Thelogical Seminary presented a report, which was received, amended, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee to whom was referred the report of the Trustees of Union Theological Seminary would submit the following report:

That in the continued and increasingly prosperous condition of our Seminary, the Synod devoutly and gratefully recognizes increased cause for thankfulness to God, and rejoicing.

The number of the Students have been sixty. Twenty-four of whom entered as new students, a larger number than had been enrolled in any single year in the previous history of the Institution. We believe that this is also true of the Session just opened in August last, it having come to the knowledge of your Committee that there are now more than seventy in our Seminary. The deportment and proficiency of the Students have been such as to merit the distinction of being called "singularly exemplary."

With only three or four exceptions all remained at the Seminary until the close of the term. The members of the Senior Class all remained without exception. The Graduating Class numbered fourteen.

As to the finances of the Institution there is not much now to call to the attention of the Synod.

We notice the generous liberality of Mr. H. G. Guthrie, of Augusta County, Va., in donating an interest—paying public security to the amount of $2,500 to found a Scholarship, and would express our gratification and thanks to him for the same. The income of the Seminary, it may be added, has met the full payment of the salaries of the Professors and the current and incidental expenses.

The Library has received an increase of 618 volumes, for the most part imported from abroad and relating to the various departments of Biblical Study. The total number of volumes in our library there and accessible to our students there is nine thousand, six hundred and ninety-three, (9,693).

These and various other tokens of the Divine favor bestowed upon our beloved Seminary, the Synod of North Carolina would humbly and thankfully recognize, and again invoke upon it, its students, its instructors, its trustees and guardians, and upon all its interests and aims, the continued guidance and blessing of God.

The resolution adopted at the last meeting of the Trustees respectfully suggesting to the Synod of North Carolina the expediency of authorizing their Treasurer to forward annually to the Treasurer of Union Theological Seminary a sum sufficient to meet the annual expenses of

the Directors from that Synod, that for the convenience of members attending, these expenses may be paid to each director at the meeting.—This plan is adopted by the Synod of Virginia, and is found to be very convenient."

Your committee recommend to Synod to approve this plan suggested, and to direct their Treasurer to act accordingly.

We recommend further that that the Fourth Class of Directors, to wit: Rev. Colin Shaw, Rev. J. Rumple, and A. T. Summey, Ruling Elder, whose term of office expires at this meeting of the Synod, be constituted and appointed as follows, to wit: Rev. J. Rumple, Rev. B. F. Marable, and Mr. R. I. McDowell, Ruling Elder.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made a report, which was accepted, amended, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly would report, calling the attention of the Synod,

1. To resolution 2d, page 514, and resolution 5th, on page 515, in reference to Education, and recommend that the Presbyteries be directed to carry out the instructions of the General Assembly in these resolutions.

2. To resolution 2d, page 521, in reference to Publication, and recommend that the Churches be directed to take up a collection for the Publishing House on the first Sabbath of December, or as soon thereafter as convenient. And the Ministers and Stated Supplies in all the Churches under charge of Synod be requested to bring the subject of the collection before their respective Churches at some suitable time before the day of collection arrives.

3. To an exception to the Minutes of this Synod. Page 527.

4. Your committee also recommend that in accordance with the action of the General Assembly, page 515, that the last Thursday of February be observed as a day of prayer by all our people for the out-pouring of the Holy Spirit on the youth of our Churches and all our institutions of learning, and for God's blessing on this cause.

On motion, it was directed that the foregoing report be immediately published in the *North Carolina Presbyterian*.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented a report touching the preparation of an Ecclesiastical Map, which was on motion, laid on the table.

And the following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That Rev. Messrs. William S. Lacy, Jacob Doll and F. H. Johnston, be appointed a Committee to gather information essential to

complete a perfect Map of the Synod of North Carolina, and to ascertain the practicability and cost of publishing the same; and that they be requested to report to next meeting of Synod.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the several Committees appointed thereto, presented the following minutes touching the death of deceased members of this body, which were respectively received and adopted, and followed by appropriate remarks and prayer.

MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF REV. MALCOM MCNAIR.

The Committee appointed to prepare a suitable minute in reference to the death of our beloved brother, Rev. Malcom McNair, respectfully submit the following for the adoption of Synod, viz:

Whereas, It has pleased the Great Head of the Church to remove from us by death, July 20th, 1874, in the fifty-first year of his age, and in the 14th year of his connection as a minister with this Synod, Rev. Malcom McNair, Pastor of Bethel Church and Stated Supply of Montpelier Church and Principal of Tusculum Academy, therefore

Resolved 1*st*. That while with sorrow we mourn the removal by death, in the prime of life and at a time when his labors gave promise of increased usefulness among us, of our faithful, learned and beloved brother; yet we would bow with humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father.

Resolved 2*d*. That this paper be recorded in our Minutes, and a copy furnished to his son, John Murdoch Murphy McNair.

Concord, N. C., Oct. 16, 1874.

MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF REV. S. A. STANFIELD.

It is with profound sorrow that Synod is called upon to record the death of Rev. S. A. Stanfield.

In the death of Brother Stanfield, Synod recognizes the fact that it has lost a courteous Christian gentleman, a good scholar, an original versatile and effective preacher.

We humbly bow to the Divine will, and feel assured that our loss is his gain.

MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF REV. S. C. MILLEN.

The committee appointed to bring in a minute touching the death of Rev. S. C. Millen, beg leave to report that that esteemed brother died at his residence in Iredell county on the 14th day of April, 1874, after a lingering illness, which laid him aside from active labors for two or three years previous to his death.

The last days of this good brother were full of faith, patience and hope, desiring to depart and be with Christ, and yet waiting patiently until his change should come.

In his death this Synod would recognize the hand of God and be admonished of the brevity and uncertainty of life and "to work while it is day, for the night cometh wherein no man can work."

Letters were received from Rev. T. U. Faucette, of Orange Presbytery, and Rev. James M. Sprunt, of Wilmington Presbytery, assigning satisfactory reasons for absence from the present sessions of Synod.

The Synod then took up the second order of the day, viz: to hear Rev. C. H. Wiley, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society in North Carolin.

Whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure, Rev. C. H. Wiley, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society in North Carolina, and that we cordially welcome him back to his native State, and commend the Society which he represents, and that branch of the Ministry of the Word in which he is engaged, to the earnest co-operation and liberal support of our churches and people.

The committee appointed thereto, presented the following address to the churches, which on motion, was received and adopted:

DEAR BRETHREN: In the providence of God, we are permitted to meet again as a Synod, and we send you our annual greetings of grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost.

We are gratified to learn that in many respects your condition as churches is so encouraging. We exhort you to go on increasing in every good word and work. We earnestly urge you to be constant in attendance on the preaching of the word and prayer meetings—to continued prayerful and systematic study of the Bible; to the establishment of Sabbath School and Bible Classes wherever practicable, and to an increasing liberality toward all the benevolences of the church.

Pay special attention to the religious education of your children. Bring them up in a knowledge of the Scriptures, forsake not the old custom of teaching them the Shorter Catechism, as the very best manual of doctrine you can give them. In these days when error abounds on every hand, the only safety for you and your children, is a profound knowledge of the word of God.

Let your light shine, keep yourselves unspotted from the world, let each one of you do his and her part in the work of building up the church.

Once more, brethren, we commend you to God and the word of his grace, praying that you may be kept safely unto the inheritance above.

J. RUMPLE,
Moderator

On motion, Pastors and Stated Supplies were ordered to read the foregoing Address to the Churches.

The Committee on the Treasurer's Account, presented a report which was received, amended, adopted and is as follows:

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod, report that they have had the matter under their consideration and examination, that the accounts of the Treasurer have been properly kept, and that the disbursements mentioned in said report are all sustained by proper vouchers.

We recommend that the Treasurer be directed to collect the arrearages due from former assessments as soon as convenient. And we recommend that the assessments of the last year be continued for the ensuing year, viz:

Concord Presbytery	$ 75 00
Fayetteville Presbytery	80 00
Mecklenburg Presbytery	75 00
Orange Presbytery	130 00
Wilmington Presbytery	50 00
Total	$410 00

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The committee appointed to examine the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery, made the following report, which was received and adopted, viz:

The committee appointed to review the Records of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg, beg leave to report that they have discharged that duty, and recommend the approval of these Records as far as written, with the following exceptions:

1. It does not appear that the Stated Meeting of the Presbytery held at Newhope Church, October 23d, 1873, was constituted with prayer. Page 238.

2. It does not appear that the Presbytery ever met according to adjournment of this meeting, which was an adjournment to meet in Wil-

mington at the call of the Moderator during the meeting of the Synod. Consequently, the next Stated Meeting of the Presbytery at Hopewell Church, April 15, 1874, does not appear to have been held, although so stated according to adjournment. Page 256.

3. In the records of the examination of A. J. Morrison, a candidate for licensure, the following subjects of examination as prescribed in Form of Government, chap. 14, sec. 4, in all cases of licensure, appear to have been omitted, viz: Sacrament and Church Government.—p. 283.

The committee appointed to examine the Records of Orange Presbytery made the following report, which was received and adopted, viz;

The Committee on the Records of Orange Presbytery report that they find them correctly and neatly kept, and recommend their approval as far as written, except that on page 407, a minister resigns his pastoral charge to the congregation, and the Presbytery endorses it.

On motion, the Synod took recess until 3 o'clock, P. M.

After recess the Synod met.

On motion, the following paper was adopted:

Whereas, The Rev. Jesse Rankin, a member of Concord Presbytery is suffering from age and infirmity, and it is very inconvenient for him to travel, therefore,

Resolved, That hereafter he be not required to attend the meetings of this body.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of Synod are hereby tendered to the citizens of Concord for their Christian kindness and hospitality to its members, to the various denominations which have proferred the use of their houses of worship; and to the rail roads which have granted the courtesy of reduced fare.

The following resolutions were adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Synod of North Carolina has heard with deep interest and peculiar pleasure, the Rev. Daniel Lindley, a member of this body and for forty years a missionary in South Eastern Africa.

Resolved, That this Synod thus expresses its profound gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the watchful care extended our beloved brother and his family, and for the divine favor that has attended his labours during his long service and amidst many and great discouragements, and affectionately commend him and his mission to the prayers of God's people.

The following resolution was on motion adopted:

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of Synod be requested to secure the publication of the minutes of Synod before the close of this year.

The unfinished business of yesterday was then taken up, viz: the consideration of the Report of the Agent of Sustentation.

On motion, the consideration of the 1st resolution appended to this report, relating to the Assembly's Relief Scheme, was deferred until the next meeting of the Synod.

On motion, the second resolution appended to the report was adopted, and is as follows, viz:

Resolved, That Synod urges its Presbyteries and Churches to follow the suggestions of the Assembly for evangelizing the colored people, and to contribute annually to the Colored Evangelistic Fund.

On motion, the whole report of the Agent of Sustentation was then placed in the hands of the editor of the *North Carolina Presbyterian*, to be used by him as he shall deem best.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the fourth resolution appended to the Report of the Synodical Agent of Sustentation presented to the last meeting of this body, be deferred without Synod's committing itself to the question involved, to the next meeting of Synod; and that the Presbyteries be instructed to consider the subject in the meantime.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of Synod be and are hereby tendered to Capt. Charles F. Harris, Editor of "*The Concord Sun*," for his kind offer to furnish his paper gratuitously, for one year, to members of this body, and that the Clerk be directed to communicate this action to Mr. Harris.

The committee appointed to examine the Report of the Trustees of Synod presented a report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

The Commitiee on the Report of the Trustees of the Synod, would report that they have examined the Report of the Trustees, and find it exceedingly meagre and unsatisfactory. They would recommend that Synod reiterate its action of last Fall in this matter, viz: That the

Trustees be directed to use all diligence in endeavoring to collect the individual notes in their hands, amounting to $116 18, and to make such compromises with these debtors in securing a speedy settlement as the Trustees may deem wise. Further, that Synod direct them to report the results of their labors at the next stated meeting of the Synod.

The Judicial Committee reported that no business had come into their hands, and at their own request were discharged.

The Committee on leave of absence made the following report, which was accepted and adopted.

The Committee on leave of absence would report that they have given the following persons leave of absence, viz:

After the Session of Friday night—Rev. Messrs. W. H. Davis, E. M. Green, G. M. Gibbs, C. M. Payne, P. H. Dalton, J. C. Alexander; and Ruling Elders John Colville, D. A. Davis, S. S. Trott, D. C. Blue, W. McL. McKay, J. A. Whitherspoon, J. M. Alexander, J. A. Garvin, M. Shaw, Neill S. Blue and Daniel McIntyre.

After Saturday morning's Session—Rev. Messrs. A. E. Chandler, J. B. Mack, R. Burwell, J. J. Kennedy, E. F. Rockwell, G. D. Parks, S. C. Alexander, R. H. Chapman, D. D., R. B. Anderson, Jesse Rankin; and Ruling Elders Theophilus Cannon, E. W. Kimmons, L. A. McLean, S. H. Walkup, R. J. McDowell, F. Scarr, B. F. Terry, J. M. Caldwell, S. M. Banks, J. L. Stowe, Gilbert Patterson, M. E. Caldwell, Thomas McConnell, C. L. Gibson, R. S. Burnett and Thomas B. Price, also Rev. Messrs. P. T. Penick, J. W. Primrose and Walter W. Pharr.

The following resolutions touching the *North Carolina Presbyterian* were adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Synod commends to its churches and people as a most important Evangelizing Agent, the *North Carolina Presbyterian*, and expresses the desire and hope that the contemplated removal of the paper to Wilmington may elicit new interest and result in its enlarged circulation and usefulness.

Resolved, That the Elders and Deacons in our churches are urged to take steps to increase the circulation of this paper in their congregations, and that ministers read these resolutions from their pulpits.

The roll was called when it was found that the following members were absent without permission:

From the Presbytery of Concord—Rev. J. H. Thornwell, Ruling Elder E. P. Moore.

From the Presbytery of Fayetteville—Rev. D. Fairley, Ruling Elder A. R. McDonald.

From the Presbytery of Wilmington—Rev. B. F. Marable.

From the Presbytery of Mecklenburg—Ruling Elders Wm. Arrowwood, T. B. McKee, M. E. Johnston and R. R. King.

The minutes of this day were read and approved.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet in Greensboro, N. C., on Wednesday before the third Sabbath in October 1875, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

JACOB DOLL,
Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF ORANGE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Orange respectfully presents to the Synod of North Carolina the following report on Systematic Benevolence, viz:

36	churches	have contributed to	Sustentation	$1,505 00
33	"	"	Foreign Missions	785 00
32	"	"	Education	2,176 00
30	"	"	Publication	455 00
25	"	"	Invalid Fund	255 00
35	"	"	Miscellaneous objects	1,516 00
			Total	$6,692 00

There are more churches now contributing to the benevolent operations of our church than ever before, and the liberality of some of our churches seems to be increasing.

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB DOLL,

Winston, N. C., Sept. 26, 1874. *Stated Clerk.*

REPORT OF CONCORD PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Concord respectfully submits to the Synod of North Carolina the following report on Systematic Benevolence, for the year ening April, 1874:

18	churches	have contributed to	Disabled Ministers	$ 298 00
21	"	"	Education	1,214 00
25	"	"	Sustentation	906 00
23	"	"	Publication	412 00
23	"	"	Foreign Missions	708 00
20	"	"	Miscellaneous purposes	532 00
			Total	$4,070 00

Eighteen congregations have contributed to all the five objects ordered by the General Assembly; four have contributed to four of them; two have contributed to three of them; one to two of them; one to one of them; ten to none of them, so far as reported.

The Presbytery would further report, that twenty-eight of our thirty-four churches have sent in Statistical reports; three of them reported nothing contributed to either of the five objects; six of our churches have altogether failed to report. In comparing our report with the one sent up last year, we discover that the total number of churches contributing is the same in each, but the aggregate is nearly three hundred dollars less this year than it was last.

By order of the Presbytery,

WILLIAM W. PHARR,
Stated Clerk.

REPORT OF FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, on Systematic Benevolence, that from October 1st, 1873, to September 15th, 1874, the following sums have been collected, viz:

27	churches	have contributed to	Invalid Fund	$149 48
40	"	"	Education	440 39
39	"	"	Sustentation	298 09
28	"	"	Publication	214 93
43	"	"	Foreign Missions	356 89
23	"	"	Evangelist Fund	178 36
9	"	"	Colportage	55 58
1	"	"	Publication House	7 81
			Total,	$1,711 53

We report an increase both in contributing churches, and in the amount of contributions.

By order of Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted,
J. P. McPHERSON,
Stated Clerk.

Carthage, N. C., Oct. 2, 1874.

REPORT OF THE WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Wilmington would respectfully present to the Synod of North Carolina the following report on Systematic Benevolence for the year ending April 1st, 1874:

20	churches	have contributed to	Sustentation	$ 166 00
9	"	"	Evangelization	52 00
12	"	"	Foreign Missions	98 00
18	"	"	Education	341 00
11	"	"	Publication	49 00
8	"	"	Disabled Ministers	59 00
20	"	"	Miscellaneous	3,374 00
			Total,	$4,139 00

Seven churches have contributed to all the objects ordered by the General Assembly; one to five of them; two to four of them; one to three of them; four to two of them, and three to one of them. Twelve churches have failed to report.

By order of Presbytery,

JAMES M. SPRUNT,

Clinton, Oct. 3, 1874. *Stated Clerk.*

REPORT OF MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg reports to the Synod of North Carolina:

That according to the last official returns from the sessions of our churches, (in April last), the aggregate amounts contributed to the several objects are as follows:

To Sustentation	$2,339 00
" Foreign Missions	569 00
" Education	436 00
" Publication	240 00
" Invalid Fund	336 00
Total	$3,920 00

Of the forty-three churches on the roll, twenty-seven gave to Sustentation; twenty-three to Foreign Missions; twenty to Education; twenty to Publication and thirteen to the Invalid Fund.

And twelve churches contributed to all the objects of Benevolence recommended by the Assembly; seven churches gave to four objects; one church to three objects; seven churches to two objects; three churches to one object; and fourteen churches gave to none of the objects, (or failed to report).

Funds raised for the Evangelist are reported under the head of Sustentation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. Z. JOHNSTON,

Oct. 1874. *Stated Clerk.*

REPORT OF THE SYNODICAL AGENT OF SABBATH SCHOOLS.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

Your Synodical Agent of Sabbath Schools respectfully presents the following condensed report of Sabbath School work during the year ending April 1st, 1874. Commendable progress has been made, in obedience to the recommendation of Synod, towards giving an accurate and systematic account of the Sabbath School work in the churches. Mecklenburg Presbytery is the only one that has failed to report in the form prepared by the General Assembly and desired by the Synod.

About three-fifths of the churches sent in statistical reports. Many of the non-reporting churches are small, or nominal, and unable to maintain a Sabbath School, and others have joined in Union Schools. These reports show the following facts:

Concord, 11 schools, 202 teachers, 1,651 scholars; average attendance, 162 teachers, 767 scholars; increase, 13 teachers, 151 scholars; decrease, 7 teachers, 44 scholars; number added to the church, 29 teachers, 146 scholars; contributions for school, $232; miscellaneous, $85.

Fayetteville, 22 schools, 136 teachers, 1,090 scholars; average attendance, 102 teachers, 722 scholars; increase, 19 teachers, 145 scholars; decrease, 3 teachers, 15 scholars; number added to the church, 12 teachers, 138 scholars; contributions for school, $93, miscellaneous, $96.

Mecklenburg, most of the churches have Sunday schools, 226 teachers, 1,671 scholars; contributions for school, $106; miscellaneous, $155.

Orange, 33 schools, 281 teachers, 1,839 scholars; average attendance, 175 teachers, 1,001 scholars; increase, 29 teachers, 184 scholars; decrease, 5 teachers, 10 scholars; number added to the church, 33 teachers, 80 scholars; contributions for school, $658; miscellaneous, $214.

Wilmington, 15 schools, 112 teachers, 709 scholars; average attendance, 93 teachers, 543 scholars; increase, 3 teachers, 28 scholars; decrease, 9 scholars; contributions for school, $127; miscellaneous, $63.

Total, 81 schools, 957 teachers, 6,960 scholars; average attendance, 532 teachers, 3,033 scholars; increase, 64 teachers, 508 scholars; decrease, 15 teachers, 78 scholars; number added to the church, 74 teachers, 364 scholars; contributions for school, $1,216; miscellaneous, $613.

Orange Presbytery, next to the smallest in number of communicants, reports the largest number of teachers and scholars, and the greatest increase in numbers, and nearly one-half of the whole amounts contributed by the schools of the whole Synod.

There has been a NET increase of teachers and scholars in the Synod of 477; 572 having been added, and 93 lost.

Comparatively few of the schools have been trained to give to the cause of Missions, viz., in

Concord Presbytery,	11	schools out of 23, gave	$ 85 00
Fayetteville "	3	" " 22, "	96 00
Mecklenburg "	(no report of number,)	gave	154 00
Orange Presbytery,	8	schools out of 33, gave	214 00
Wilmington Presbytery,	2	schools out of 15, gave	63 00

So far as reported the schools are generally under the control of the sessions; the catechism is generally taught and the scriptures memorized to some extent; occasionally the Confession of Faith and the Form of Government are taught; the *Children's Friend* is taken in most of the schools, and a few copies of the *Earnest Worker*.

One school for colored children is reported at Davidson College.

The Sabbath School Convention, heretofore reported by Orange Presbytery, is still maintained, and meets 24 hours before each Fall Session of the Presbytery for the purpose of diffusing intelligence and exciting deeper interest in Sabbath School work.

In the past year 74 teachers and 364 scholars, a total of 438 souls, have been gathered into the fold of Christ from this field of the church's labors.

Respectfully submitted, L. C. VASS,

Concord, N. C., Oct. 14, 1874. *Synodical Agent of Sab. Schools*

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, and to the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia:

The Trustees of Union Theological Seminary, in Virginia, as required by the Constitution of the Corporation, submit to the General Assembly and Synods, this their annual report, for the year ending the 8th day of April, 1874.

By the favor of God, the health of the Professors and students has been uniformly good, and the former have all been at their posts from the beginning of the term in August last, except the Professor of Biblical Literature and Interpretation of the New Testament (Dr. Alexander) who was absent by leave in Europe until the middle of October, 1873, when he resumed the duties of his chair.

The number of students in attendance during the year is sixty; twenty-four of whom entered as new students; a larger number than has been enrolled in any single year in the previous history of the Institution.

The graduating class numbered fourteen, all of whom, with one exception, received the usual certificate of having completed the prescribed course of instruction. Those receiving this certificate are as follows, to-wit:

Thomas J. Allison, Davidson College, N. C.; James C. Cowan, Leesburg, East Tenn.; Cecil Lee Ewing, Lee County, Va.; Robert H. Fleming, Monterey, Va.; William H. Groves, Wilmington, N. C.; Hugh Henry, Salem, Va.; Carson W. Hollis, Gerardstown, West Va.; Cornelfus Miller, Columbus, Miss.; John Henry Moore, Florence, Ky.; John B. Morton, Botetourt County, Va.; John A. Scott, Jefferson Co., West Va.; Jesse A. Wallace, Soddy, East Tenn.; Henry S. Yerger, Memphis, Tenn.

It is gratifying to the Trustees to be able to report that the deportment and proficiency of the students have been such as to merit the distinction of being called "singularly exemplary," and that, with

three or four exceptions, all have remained at the Seminary until the close of the term. The members of the Senior class all remained without exception.

In reference to the Finances of the Institution there is nothing new to report, except in the following particulars: The semi-annual income on two of the railroad corporations (amounting to $330) was not paid in January, 1874; but this, it is hoped, is only a temporary suspension on the part of the companies in paying their interest. Mr. H. G. Guthrie, of Augusta County, Va., has made a generous donation of an interest-paying public security, (to the amount of $2,500) to found a scholarship. Two thousand two hundred dollars, of a public security, have been added by purchase, during the year. The income of the Seminary, it may be added, has met the full payment of the salaries of the Professors, and the current and incidental expenses. A detailed statement of the investments and liabilities of the corporators will be hereto appended.

The Library has received an increase of six hundred and eighteen volumes, for the most part imported from abroad, and relating to the various departments of Biblical Study. The total number of volumes is nine thousand six hundred and ninety-three.

The Trustees would further add, that the messing system has been tried by some of the students during the session, and that the result has been encouraging as to the practicability of this mode of diminishing expenses. Donations, in the form of provisions, &c., from friends of the Institution, have contributed materially to the success of the system, and this form of benevolent aid is commended to the notice of churches and persons who feel an interest in the Seminary.

In conclusion, the Trustees would again ask the Assembly and Synod to unite with them in devout thankfulness for the continued favor of the Head of the Church to this school of the Prophets, and in praying that the divine blessing may be yet vouchsafed to it more and more.

By order of the Trustees.

WM. BROWN,
President.

Hampden Sidney, Va., April 8th, 1874.

APPENDIX.

OFFICERS.—Rev. Wm. Brown, D. D., (Richmond, Va.) President of the Corporation; Rev. J. Rumple, of North Carolina, and A. G. McIlwane, Esq., of Virginia, Vice Presidents; Judge F. N. Watkins, (Farmville, Va.,) Secretary and Treasurer; Rev. Dr. B. M. Smith, Librarian; Rev. Dr. T. E. Peck, Intendant; Rev. Dr. R. L. Dabney, Clerk of the Faculty.

TRUSTEES.—*From the Synod of North Carolina*—Ministers: F. H. Johnston, Jos. M. Atkinson, J. Henry Smith, D. D., H. G. Hill, Jas. P. McPherson, Walter W. Pharr, Colin Shaw, J. Rumple. Elders: Messrs. E. McGilvary, E. Nye Huthinson, M. D., R. L. Beall, M. D., A. T. Summey.

From Synod of Virginia.—Ministers: Wm. Brown, D. D., C. H. Read, D. D., J. J. Bullock, D. D., H. M. White, J. L. Kirkpatrick, D. D., W. T. Richardson, Alexander Martin, Charles White. Elders: A. G. McIlwaine, E. M. Armstrong, J. N. Sydenstricker, F. N. Watkins.

FACULTY.—Rev. B. M. Smith, D. D., Professor of Oriental Literature.

Rev. R. L. Dabney, D. D., Professor of Systematic and Pastoral Theology.

Rev. Thos. E. Peck, D. D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Polity.

Rev. H. C. Alexander, D. D., Professor of Biblical Literature and Interpretation of the New Testament.

STUDENTS.—The residences of students for '73-'74, are as follows: From Virginia, 20; North Carolina, 11; Tennessee, 10; Kentucky, 4; Missouri, 2; West Virginia, 5; Mississippi, 2; Georgia, 3; Arkansas, 1; Alabama, 1; South Carolina, 1—total, 60.

Correspondents will note that the Post Office address of the Professors and Students is "Hampden Sidney, Prince Edward county, Va.;" that of the Treasurer and Secretary is "Judge F. N. Watkins, Farmville, Va."

CHARTER.—On the 9th of January, 1867, (see Acts '66-'67, page 506,) the Legislature of Virginia incorporated the Seminary under the legal title of "The Trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia," and by that name they may "acquire, receive, hold, possess and enjoy all lands, money, or other property, real or personal, which may have been, or which may be given or otherwise required for the use of said Seminary: provided, that the sum of money so acquired shall not exceed $500,000, and that the amount of land held by them shall not exceed two hundred acres."

FINANCIAL.—Under the order of the Board, the Treasurer's balance sheet on his ledger, as at 1st of April 1874, (the end of the financial year,) is here appended:

ASSETS.

N. C. bonds and certificates	$ 4,147 00
Debt in Suit	15,000 00
Des Moines Valley Railroad	1,000 00
St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad	1,000 00
Nashville	1,000 00
Georgia bonds	12,000 00
Virginia Consol. bonds	18,000 00
" Registered	116,995 00
Clover Hill Railroad	5,000 00
South Side "	5,000 00
Virginia Central Railroad	6,000 00
Richmond & Danville R. R.	10,100 00
City of Richmond	8,000 00
Manassa Gap Railroad	3,500 00
Orange A. and M. Railroad	1,700 00
Individual bond in Chicago	30,000 00
" " New York	250 00
Long Island Bank, 7 shares	350 00
Cash	1,788 81
Total	$241,030 81

LIABILITIES.

Scholarships	$ 31,500 00
Directors, expenses, &c	27 70
Brown Library Hall	20,278 91
Library Fund	7,601 76
Income account (balance)	1,168 49
Investment account (balance)	180,453 95
Total	$241,030 81

It will be appropriate to add that the public securities above named are not all equally productive, and that on some, incomes are not derived at present. The sums in money (above expenses) are from time to time invested, and are held in the name of the Corporation.

The next term in the Seminary begins August 12th, 1874, and ends April 14th, 1875. WM. BROWN, President.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SYNOD,

for one year, from October 1873 to October 1874.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand October 1873, as per last report	$ 44 28
From Wilmington Presbytery, assessment for 1873	25 00

From Wilmington Presbytery, assessment for 1874					50 00
"	Fayetteville	"	"	" 1873	40 00
"	Concord	"	"	" 1874	75 00
"	Orange	"	"	" 1874	130 00
Refunded by Rev. J. M. Atkinson, as Director to Union Theological Seminary, 1874					2 00
Total					$366 28

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Rev. Jacob Doll, salary and account as Stated Clerk					$ 77 75
"	"	J. M. Atkinson, Director to U. T. Seminary, April 1874			20 00
"	"	W. W. Pharr,	"	" "	25 00
"	"	F. H. Johnston,	"	" "	15 00
"	"	J. Henry Smith,	"	" "	13 50
"	"	J. Rumple,	"	" "	16 20
"	E Nye Hutchinson,		"	" "	25 00
"	A. T. Summey,		"	" "	27 50
"	Evander McGilvary,		"	" "	29 00
" Rev. T. L. DeVeaux, Printing minutes of Synod 1873					111 86
Balance in hands of Treasurer, October 1874					5 47
Total					$366 28

Fayetteville and Mecklenburg Presbyteries have not paid their assessments for 1874—the first $80; and the last $75.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE H. LINDSAY,

Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 14, 1874. Treasurer.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

To the Synod of North Carolina at Concord, October 14th, 1874:

The Trustees live some distance apart and I have not had an opportunity of consulting with them, and have not been able to settle with those who are indebted to the Synod, to my satisfaction. I just say the business stands as per last report—will certainly try to finish up our business during the next year.

Respectfully,

THOS. A. ALLISON, one of the Trustees.

STATED CLERKS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

1813. Rev. Robert H. Chapman.
1818. Rev. Colin McIver.
1849. Rev. Drury Lacy.
1855. Rev. Archibald Baker.
1859. Rev. Jacob Doll.

MODERATORS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

	MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1813.	Rev. Robert H. Chapman	Alamance Church.
1814.	Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell	Thyatira Church.
1815.	Rev. William McPheeters	Fayetteville.
1816.	Rev. John Robinson	Raleigh.
1817.	No meeting—no quorum present	Rocky River.
1818.	Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D. D	Fayetteville.
1819.	Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, M. D	Raleigh.
1820.	Rev. William Paisley	Poplar Tent.
1821.	Rev. John M. Wilson	Salisbury.
1822.	Rev. John Robinson	Hillsboro'.
1823.	Rev. John Witherspoon	Fayetteville.
1824.	Rev. Colin McIver	Statesville.
1825.	Rev. John B. Davis	Greensboro'.
1826.	Rev. William McPheeters, D. D	Fayetteville.
1827.	Rev. R. H. Morrison, D. D	Salisbury.
	The Stated Clerk has no record of this and the two succeeding meetings.	
1828.	Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch	Raleigh.
1829.	Rev. John Williamson	Fayetteville.
1830.	Rev. Samuel L. Graham	Hopewell.
1831.	Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich	Hillsboro'.
1832.	Rev. Samuel Williamson	Salisbury.
1833.	Rev. Henry A. Rowland	Wilmington.
1834.	Rev. James W. Douglas	Oxford.
1835.	Rev. Henry N. Pharr	Salisbury.
1836.	Rev. Joseph Brown	Fayetteville.
1837.	Rev. N. H. Harding	Shiloh.
1838.	Rev. Stephen Frontis	Third Creek Church.
1839.	Rev. Daniel A Penick	Lincolnton.
1840.	Rev. Alexander Wilson, D D	Danville, Va.
1841.	Rev. William N. Peacock	Fayetteville.
1842.	Rev. Walter W. Pharr	Poplar Tent.
1843.	Rev. James Phillips	Raleigh.
1844.	Rev. Simeon Colton	Fayetteville.
1845.	Rev. Samuel Williamson	Charlotte.
1846.	Rev. Drury Lacy	Greensboro'.
1847.	Rev. Evander McNair	Fayetteville.
1848.	Rev. Cyrus Johnston	Salisbury.
1849.	Rev. John A. Gretter	Hillsboro'.
1850.	Rev. Adam Gilchrist	Centre.
1851.	Rev. Archibald Baker	Rocky River.
1852.	Rev. William N. Mebane	Danville, Va.
1853.	Rev. Hector McLean	Wilmington.
1854.	Rev. A. L. Watts	Concord.
1855.	Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D. D	Greensboro'.
1856.	Rev. Neill McKay	Fayetteville.
1857.	Rev. Walter W. Pharr	Charlotte.
1858.	Rev. Jacob Doll	Newbern.
1859.	Rev. F. K. Nash	Wilmington.
1860.	Rev. R. H. Lafferty	Statesville.
1861.	Rev. Edward Hines	Raleigh.
1862.	Rev. John M. Sherwood	Goldsboro'.
1863.	Rev. R. N. Davis	Salisbury.
1864.	Rev. A. G. Hughes	Greensboro'.
1865.	Rev. Colin Shaw	Fayetteville.
1866.	Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D. D	Charlotte.
1867.	Rev. Archibald Currie	Newbern.

1868.	Rev. D. D. McBryde ...	Wilmington.
1869	Rev. Jesse Rankin	Morganton.
1870.	Rev. S. A. Stanfield	Raleigh.
1871.	Rev. J. P. McPherson	Fayetteville.
1872.	Rev. Arnold W. Miller, D. D	Charlotte.
1873.	Rev. James M. Sprunt	Wilmington
1874.	Rev. J. Rumple	Concord.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY—MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN NORTH CAROLINA.

FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

Rev. J. Rumple. — Mr. R. J. McDowell, Ruling Elder.
Rev. B. F. Marable. — To go out in 1878.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

Rev. F. H. Johnston. — Mr. Evander McGilvary, Ruling Elder.
Rev. Jos. M. Atkinson. — To go out in 1877.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D. — Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson, Ruling Elder.
Rev. H. G. Hill. — To go out in 1876.

FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

Rev. J. P. McPherson. — Dr. R. L. Beall, Ruling Elder.
Rev. Walter W. Pharr. — To go out in 1875.

TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

Col. Thomas A. Allison	Statesville, N. C.
Mr. D. A. Davis	Salisbury, N. C.
Mr. William F. Cowan	Statesville, N. C.
Col. John E. Brown	Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. S. P. Alexander	Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. John L. Brown	" "

AGENTS OF SYNOD.

Rev. R. Z. Johnston	Agent of Foreign Missions.
Rev. H. G. Hill	Agent of Sustentation.
Rev. Neill McKay, D. D	Agent of Education.
Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D	Agent of Publication.
Rev. L. C. Vass	Agent of Sabbath Schools.

TREASURER OF SYNOD.

Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay ... Greensboro, N. C.

ROLL OF MINISTERS IN THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

	Ministers	*Post Office.*
1.	Geo. W. Ferrill	Tally Ho.
2.	Edward Hines	Sassafras Fork.
3.	Jacob Doll	Yanceyville.
4.	A. Currie	Graham.
5.	Thomas U. Faucette	Sassafras Fork.
6.	Joseph M. Atkinson	Raleigh.
7.	P. H. Dalton	High Point.
8.	J. Henry Smith, D. D	Greensboro.
9.	F. H. Johnston	Lexington.
10.	D. E. Jordan	Oxford.
11.	Drury Lacy, D. D	Raleigh.

12.	James C. Alexander	Greensboro.
13.	C. N. Morrow	Mebanesville.
14.	Charles Phillips, D. D	Davidson College.
15.	C. H. Wiley	Winston.
16.	W. B. Tidball	Greensboro.
17.	L. C. Vass	Newbern.
18.	H. B. Pratt	Socorro, S. A.
19.	P. Tinsley Perrick	Mebaneville.
20.	John W. Primrose	Manson.
21.	Robert Burwell	Raleigh.
22.	James H. Fitzgerald	Hillsboro.
23.	William G. Baird	Mount Airy.
24.	E. M. Green	Washington.
25.	A. D. Hepburn	Davidson College.

CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

	Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1.	Jesse Rankin	Lenoir.
2.	Daniel Lindley	
3.	Thomas P. Johnston	Morganton.
4	E. F. Rockwell	Cool Springs.
5.	T. N. Paxton	Marion.
6.	G. M. Gibbs	Hickory Station.
7.	B. L. Beall	Lenoir.
8.	J. Rumple	Salisbury.
9.	Wm. W. Pharr	Mt. Mourne.
10.	W. A. Wood	Statesville.
11.	A. E. Chandler	Mt. Ulla.
12.	J. B. Mack	Harris' Depot.
13.	L. McKinnon	Concord.
14.	S. Taylor Martin	Statesville.
15.	R. B. Anderson	Morganton.
16.	R. M. Tuttle	Mooresville.
17.	R. W. Boyd	Woodleaf.
18.	John W. Davis	Soochow, China.
19.	James H. Thornwell	Concord.

FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

	Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1.	Hector McLean	Melrose.
2.	J. P. McPherson	Laurinburg.
3.	N. McKay, D. D	Summerville.
4.	A. McMillan	Laurel Hill.
5.	Archibald Baker	Shoe Heel.
6.	D. D. McBryde	Little River Academy.
7.	Martin McQueen	Carthage.
8.	James McQueen	Swans' Station.
9.	N. T. Bowden	Bosticks' Mills.
10.	Archibald McQueen	Shoe Heel.
11,	John H. Coble	Laurinburg.
12.	H. G. Hill	Fayetteville.
13.	David Fairley	Manchester.
14.	Joseph Evans	St. Paul's.
15.	T. L. DeVeaux	Wilmington.
16.	A. N. Ferguson	Laurinburg.
17.	K. M. McIntyre	Butler's Ford.
18.	William S. Lacy	Jonesboro.

WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

	Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1.	Duncan B. Black	Burgaw.
2.	Hugh A. Munroe	White Hall.
3.	Colin Shaw	Black River Chapel.
4.	James M. Sprunt	Kenansville.
5.	B. F. Marable	Clinton.
6.	S. H. Isler	Newport.
7.	James Kelly	Dalton.
8.	N. Z. Graves	Goldsboro.
9.	Archibald McFadyen	Elizabethtown.
10.	Alexander Kirkland	Teachey's.
11.	Thomas C. Johnson	Clinton.
12.	Joseph R. Wilson, D. D.	Wilmington.
13.	Charles M. Payne	Wilmington.

MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

	Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1.	R. H. Morrison, D. D.	Cottage Home.
2.	J. E. Morrison	Wadesboro.
3.	J. D. Hall	Woodlawn.
4.	J. Douglas	Charlotte.
5.	Wm. N. Morrison	Asheville.
6.	D. McNeill Turner, D. D.	
7.	Leland R. McAboy, D. D.	
8.	Robert Hett Chapman, D. D.	Charlotte.
9.	William Graves	Mills River.
10.	Walter W. Pharr	Alexandriana.
11.	Thomas E. Davis	Pleasant Ridge.
12.	J. C. Williams	Davidson College
13.	A. W. Miller, D. D.	Charlotte.
14.	S. C. Alexander	Wadesboro.
15.	D. T. Towles	Forks of Pigeon
16.	Wm. B. Corbett	Asheville.
17.	G. D. Parks	Charlotte.
18.	R. Z. Johnston	Lincolnton.
19.	H. H. Banks	Statesville.
20.	William McDonald	Charlotte.
21.	J. J. Kennedy	Gastonia.
22.	William H. Davis	Charlotte.
23.	E. H. Harding	Charlotte.

DOCKET

Of the Sixty-Second Session of the Synod of North Carolina, to be held in Greensboro, N. C., on the Wednesday before the third Sabbath in October 1875, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

1. Prayer.
2. Roll called.
3. Moderator chosen.
4. Temporary Clerks chosen.
5. Minutes read.
6. Absentees from the last meeting of Synod.

From Orange Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. G. W. Ferrill, Thomas U. Faucette, D. Lacy, D. D., C. N. Morrow and H. B. Pratt.

From Concord Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. Wm. A. Wood and R. W. Boyd.

From Fayetteville Presbytery—Rev. Messrs. Neill McKay, D D., A. McMillan, A Baker, D. D. McBryde, Martin McQueen, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen, John H. Coble, A. N. Ferguson and K. M. McIntyre.

From Wilmington Presbytery.—Rev, Messrs. D. B. Black, Colin Shaw, H. A. Munroe, S. H. Isler, James Kelly, N. Z. Graves, A. McFadyen and Alexander Kirkland.

From Mecklenburg Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs. R. H. Morrison, D. D., J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, Wm. N. Morrison, D. McNeill Turner, D.D., Leland McAboy, D. D., Wm. Graves, Thos. E. Davis, J. C. Williamson, A. W. Miller, D. D., D. T. Towles and William B. Corbett.

7. Read the Statistical Reports of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg Presbyteries.

8. Appoint the following Standing Committees:

1. On Bills and Overtures.
2. Judicial Committee.
3. On the Records of Orange Presbytery.
4. On the Records of Concord Presbytery.
5. On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery.
6. On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery.
7. On the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery.
8. To prepare an address to the churches on the state of religion within the bounds of the Synod.
9. On Devotional Exercises.
10. On the Treasurer's account.
11. On the Minutes of the General Assembly.
12. On Union Theological Seminary.
13. On the Report of the Trustees of Synod.
14. On Leave of Absence.

9. Read the narratives on the state of religion respectively from the Presbyteries of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg.

10. Read the Report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

11. The term of office of the fourth class of Directors of Union Theological Seminary expires at this meeting of the Synod, viz: Rev. J. P. McPherson, Rev. Walter W. Pharr and Dr. R. L. Beall.

12 Take up the fourth resolution appended to Rev. Mr. Hill's report on Sustentation in 1873, laid over until this meeting.

13. Take up the first resolution appended to Rev. Mr. Hill's report on Sustentation in 1874, laid over until this meeting.

14. Report of Committee to prepare a sketch of the life of Rev. A. G. Hughes. See minutes of 1873 and 1874. Mr. Currie, Chairman.

15. Absentees at the calling of the Roll at the close of the last session of the Synod. (See minutes of the 61st session.)

16. Read reports on Systematic Benevolence respectively from the Presbyteries of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg.

17. Read the report of the Trustees of Synod.
18. Read the report of the Treasurer of Synod.
19. Read the report of the Agent of Sustentation.
20. Read the report of the Agent of Education.
21. Read the report of the Agent of Foreign Missions.
22. Read the report of the Agent of Publication.
23. Read the report of the Agent of Sabbath Schools.
24. How many copies of the Minutes shall be printed?
25. Read the Statistical Report of the Synod to the General Assembly.
26. Time and place of next meeting of the Synod.
27. Minutes to be read and approved.
28. Call the Roll at the close of the session.
29. Close with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

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